

IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and legacy of Ruby Jean Brooks.

RESOLUTION NO. 22048, September 22, 2025

INTRODUCED BY DaRon McGee, Donna Peyton, Jalen Anderson and Venessa Huskey
County Legislators

WHEREAS, Ruby Jean Brooks was born in Weaverville, North Carolina, on January 11, 1936 to Thomas Sr. and Avis Brooks who preceded her in death; and,

WHEREAS, Ms. Brooks and her siblings grew up in Weaverville, North Carolina, after attending Stephens Lee High School in Asheville, North Carolina, she moved to Kansas City, MO, where she joined St. Stephen Baptist Church under the late Dr. John W. Williams; and,

WHEREAS, while serving at St. Stephen Baptist Church, Ms. Brooks was an active member and served under Pastor Dr. Mac Charles Jones, and Pastor Eric Belt, and under their leadership, she served on the Women's International Auxiliary, Usher board, and the Miriam Circle Mission Ministry; and,

WHEREAS, Ms. Brooks later joined Macedonia Baptist Church, where her son, John L. Brooks M. Div. is pastor, she remained faithful until her health began to decline; and,

WHEREAS, Ms. Brooks's love for Christ was evident in her daily life, which she instilled in her children, grandchildren, family, and friends; and,

WHEREAS, Ms. Brooks was employed at Central High, Paramalee, Chubbys, and DocuSort, she was also a homemaker known for her great down-home cooking, some of her best dishes were spaghetti, macaroni and cheese, caramel cake, coconut cake, yeast rolls, and fudge; and,

WHEREAS, Ms. Brooks is preceded in death by her siblings, Thomas Brooks Jr, James Brooks, Nathaniel Brooks and Frankie Millhouse, her two children, La-Vonne Brooks, and Curtis Williams; and,

WHEREAS, Ms. Brooks leaves to cherish her memory her children, Janet (Darold), Gloucester, Kim, Pamela, Anthony, and John (Teri), twenty-two grandchildren, twenty-one great-grandchildren, a host of nieces, nephews, and a lot of children she cared for and considered her own; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Jackson County Legislature does hereby recognize, honor, and pay tribute to Ms. Ruby Jean Brooks for her life and legacy.

Effective Date: This resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage by a majority of the Legislature.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Bryan Covinsky
Bryan Covinsky (Sep 22, 2025 14:06:52 CDT)

County Counselor

Certificate of Passage

I hereby certify that the attached resolution, Resolution No. 22048 of September 22, 2025, was duly passed on September 22, 2025 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

Yeas 7

Nays 0

Abstaining 0

Absent 2

9.22.2025
Date

Mary Jo Spino
Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature