

CITY COUNCIL OF MOUNT VERNON



RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, MARVIN CHURCH has built a distinguished career in government, banking, transportation, real estate, community development, housing, and energy, managing over \$25 billion in real estate transactions and serving in leadership roles including Associate Commissioner of Transportation in Massachusetts and Transportation Commissioner for Westchester County, New York; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Church has demonstrated his commitment to sustainable energy and community development through his leadership as Regional Director of the New York State Division of Community Renewal, where he oversaw \$66 million in programs, as well as through his work with NYSERDA and Con Edison to advance clean energy initiatives including solar, heat pumps, and clean heating solutions; and

WHEREAS, in 2021, Marvin Church co-founded Environmental Leaders of Color (ELOC) with Dr. Diana Kaye Williams, an organization dedicated to promoting climate and environmental education among economically disadvantaged high school students in Westchester County, serving more than 600 students to date; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Church and ELOC address the urgent need for education about climate change, including understanding its impact, implementing mitigation strategies, and developing sustainable solutions, while also equipping students with the academic foundation to pursue STEM and environmental pathways often underrepresented in schools most impacted by climate change; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Church's lifelong dedication to public service, environmental justice, and equitable community development continues to strengthen opportunities for youth and communities to thrive in the face of climate challenges; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of Mount Vernon recognizes and applauds the invaluable contributions of Marvin Church in advancing environmental education, expanding access to clean energy, and uplifting the next generation of leaders; and NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the City Council of Mount Vernon does hereby honor and commend MARVIN CHURCH for his extraordinary leadership, vision, and service in promoting climate education, sustainability, and environmental justice, and declares his day in recognition of his lasting impact on our community.

Councilperson

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City Council President

Authenticated this **24th** day of **SEPTEMBER, 2025**

City Clerk