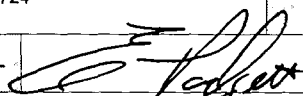


# MANATEE COUNTY GOVERNMENT AGENDA MEMORANDUM

<b>SUBJECT</b>	Proclamation - Saint Mary's Missionary Baptist Church Day/Month	<b>TYPE AGENDA ITEM</b>	Proclamation
<b>DATE REQUESTED</b>	March 13, 2001	<b>DATE SUBMITTED/REVISED</b>	March 12, 2001
<b>BRIEFINGS?/WHO?</b>	N/A	<b>CONSEQUENCES IF DEFERRED</b>	Event will pass without observance
<b>DEPARTMENT/DIVISION</b>	County Administrator's Office	<b>AUTHORIZED BY TITLE</b>	Ernie Padgett, County Administrator
<b>CONTACT PERSON TELEPHONE/EXTENSION</b>	Evelyn Lloyd - X3724	<b>PRESENTER/TITLE TELEPHONE/EXTENSION</b>	Board of County Commissioners X3700
<b>ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL</b>			

### ACTION DESIRED

INDICATE WHETHER <sup>1</sup>REPORT or <sup>2</sup>DISCUSSION, <sup>3</sup>FORM OF MOTION, or <sup>4</sup>OTHER ACTION REQUIRED:

**Adoption of a proclamation designating March 2001 and the third Sunday of March 2001 as St. Mary's Missionary Baptist Church Month/Day in Manatee County, Florida.**

### ENABLING/REGULATING AUTHORITY

Federal/State law(s), administrative ruling(s), Manatee County Comp Plan/Land Development Code, ordinances, resolutions, policy.)

Board of County Commissioners adopts proclamations.

### BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

• This item was prepared and placed on the agenda for March 13, 2001, at the request of Commissioner Stein.

HAS COUNTY ATTORNEY REVIEW BEEN REQUESTED? Indicate "NO" or "YES" @ right. (If "NO," proceed to 1) below; and if "YES," proceed to 2) below) No

1) IF "NO" TO ABOVE,

A) PLEASE EXPLAIN BELOW: (see also following section 1B) re: contract, agreement, lease, etc.:

This is a matter of Board policy with no legal ramifications.

B) IF A CONTRACT, AGREEMENT, LEASE OR OTHER DOCUMENT WAS PREVIOUSLY APPROVED, STATE YEAR OF LAST USE @ RIGHT:

2) IF "YES" TO FIRST QUESTION IN THIS SECTION,

A) HAS ENTIRE MATTER, OR ONLY A PORTION, BEEN REVIEWED? IF ONLY A PORTION, WHICH PORTION?

N/A

B) HAVE ALL COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS RAISED BY COUNTY ATTORNEY BEEN ADDRESSED/INCORPORATED; IF NOT, PLEASE EXPLAIN. A COPY OF FINAL COUNTY ATTORNEY MEMO RE THIS MATTER **MUST BE ATTACHED** (if comments were verbal, so indicate.)

N/A

<b>ATTACHMENTS: (List in order as attached)</b>	<b>INSTRUCTIONS TO BOARD RECORDS:</b>
• Proclamation	N/A
<b>COST</b> None	<b>SOURCE (ACCT# &amp; NAME)</b> N/A
<b>COMMENTS</b> None	<b>AMT./FREQ. OF RECURRING COSTS (ATTACH FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT)</b> N/A

**APPROVED IN OPEN SESSION**

**MAR 13 2001**

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

5.

# Proclamation

Board of County Commissioners  
Manatee County, Florida

*WHEREAS*, the month of March marks the 124th anniversary of Saint Mary's Baptist Church in Parrish; and

*WHEREAS*, the first church was built in 1913 under the guidance of the late Reverend G. A. Peterson; and

*WHEREAS*, the church continued to grow under the leadership of Reverend P. R. James, Reverend Johnson, Reverend J. C. Bolden who rebuilt Saint Mary's on the "Hill", and Reverend Reed; and

*WHEREAS*, in 1932 the late Reverend G. W. Jones relocated Saint Mary's Church near the home of Mrs. Rebecca Williamson on Erie Road, and served faithfully until his health failed; and

*WHEREAS*, from 1973-1977, Reverend M. Newsome continued the leadership and was followed by several others who kept the dream alive for members of Saint Mary's; and

*WHEREAS*, in January 1990 Reverend Fletcher Lawson, Jr., rendered service as a request and has been reaching out to the community and members of Saint Mary's Church ever since; and

*WHEREAS*, under Reverend Lawson's leadership, the church membership and the sanctuary have been improved, with groundbreaking for a new sanctuary tentatively set for mid-summer 2001; and

*WHEREAS*, according to history, Saint Mary's is the oldest Black church in Manatee County organized in 1877, and members today travel as far as 60 miles one way to attend services.

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED* by the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, that the third Sunday of March, 2001, shall be known, designated and set aside as

## ***SAINT MARY'S MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH DAY***

and that the month of March 2001 shall be known as

## ***SAINT MARY'S MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH MONTH***

in Manatee County, Florida.

*ADOPTED*, with a quorum present and voting this 13th day of March 2001.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Joe McClash, Chairman

ATTEST: *R. B. Shore*

Clerk of Circuit Court

By: \_\_\_\_\_