## Office of the County Judge Fort Bend County, Texas

## Proclamation



WHEREAS, During Black History Month, we celebrate the many achievements and

contributions made by African Americans to our economic, cultural,

spiritual, and political development; and

WHEREAS, today, we recognize and celebrate Mr. Grover William "Deacon" Jones, the

first African American baseball player to be inducted into the hall of fame

in Cooperstown, NY; and

WHEREAS, Born in White Plains, New York, Mr. Jones, has been known as a "all

athelete" in football, basketball, and baseball at White Plains High School. He has played for the Chicago White Sox for over three seasons and has appeared in 40 major-league games. After retiring as a player, Mr. Jones

coached the Houston Astros from 1976-1982; and

WHEREAS, Today, he continues to make Fort Bend County proud as he played a

pivitol role in bringing the first Independent League baseball stadium,

known as Constellation Field to Sugar Land, TX; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** I, KP George, Fort Bend County Judge and The Commissioners' Court of Fort Bend County, Texas, do hereby recognize on this 22<sup>nd</sup>, day of February 2022,

Grover William "Deacon" Jones

in observance of Black History Month and the contributions of African Americans in our community, throughout our state, and nation.

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