



BALDWIN COUNTY COMMISSION
BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

RESOLUTION

COMMENDING ECUMENICAL MINISTRIES, INC. OF BALDWIN COUNTY FOR 50 YEARS OF SERVICE AND ESTABLISHING THE LAST SUNDAY IN JANUARY AS ECUMENICAL MINISTRIES DAY IN BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

WHEREAS, Ecumenical Ministries, Inc. (EMI) in Baldwin County, is a faith-based, nonprofit organization founded in 1970; and

WHEREAS, EMI has helped hundreds of volunteers, organizations and multiple churches come together to help those in need in communities throughout Baldwin County; and

WHEREAS, in the year 2020, EMI celebrates 50 years of dedicated service; and

WHEREAS, EMI volunteers, staff and donors helped more than 96,000 individuals facing emergencies, including providing more than one million meals through their pantries; and

WHEREAS, EMI's Meals on Wheels volunteers and staff delivered more than a half-million low-cost meals to elderly, shut-ins and handicapped individuals; and

WHEREAS, EMI volunteers, staff and donors have repaired more than 480 low-income, owner-occupied houses in the last five years, with many of the repairs being to roofs that saved a house or handicap ramps which provide critical access to homes; and

WHEREAS, EMI volunteers, staff and donors provided more than 25,000 hand-picked, Christmas gifts to low income children and elderly; and

WHEREAS, EMI volunteers, staff and donors initiated the paving of 350 miles of roads in rural communities, with many of those roads serving low income families; and

WHEREAS, EMI volunteers, staff and donors initiated racial reconciliation opportunities for thousands of individuals; and

WHEREAS, the example set by EMI volunteers, staff and donors shows how communities can be improved civilly when citizens of all denominations, races, economic status and political persuasions work together on a common community problem; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BALDWIN COUNTY COMMISSION, IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, that the Baldwin County Commission adopts *Resolution #2019-093* commending Ecumenical Ministries, Inc. of Baldwin County and its volunteers' diligent and cooperative work; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the last Sunday in January will be recognized as Ecumenical Ministries Day in Baldwin County perpetually.

DONE, at the County Seat, in Bay Minette, Alabama, and under the Seal of Baldwin County, Alabama, as affixed on this the 4th day of June, 2019.

Commissioner Charles F. Gruber, Chairman

ATTEST:

Wayne A. Dyess, County Administrator