



RESOLUTION 2019-16

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING ECUMENICAL MINISTRIES, INC. OF BALDWIN COUNTY (EMI) FOR 50 YEARS OF SERVICE AND ESTABLISHING THE LAST SUNDAY IN JANUARY AS ECUMENICAL MINISTRIES DAY IN BALDWIN COUNTY

WHEREAS, Ecumenical Ministries, Inc. in Baldwin County – hereinafter known as EMI 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 service; and

WHEREAS, EMI volunteers, staff and donors helped more than 96,000 individuals facing emergencies, including providing more than a 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 – many of them roofs that saved a house or handicap ramps which provide critical access to a home; 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 paving of 350 miles of roads in rural communities – many of them 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; and

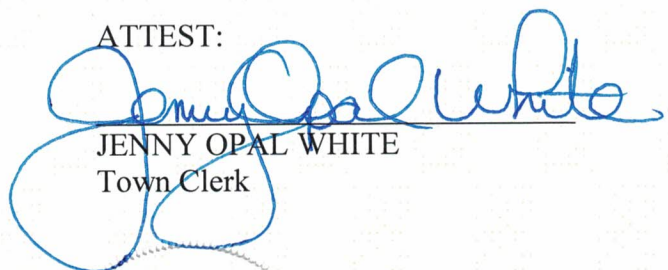
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Magnolia Springs expresses its sincere and deep appreciation for Ecumenical Ministries, Inc. and its volunteers' tens of thousands of hours diligent and cooperative work; and

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

APPROVED and ADOPTED this the 22nd day of October 2019.


BEN DYKEMA
Mayor Pro Tempore

ATTEST:


JENNY OPAL WHITE
Town Clerk

