

**RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION  
TO  
RETIRING ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF  
JUVENILE SERVICES  
MURIEL BURNS**

**WHEREAS**, the Caddo Parish Commission ruefully acknowledges that the passage of time brings forth regrettable inevitabilities, among those being the necessity of saying goodbye to cherished friends who have chosen to walk the paths and live the dreams of retirement; and

**WHEREAS**, Muriel Burns, the beloved and respected Assistant Director of Caddo Parish Juvenile Services, has now made that choice, ending a career of public service that has spanned 35 years. Beginning in the role of Security Counselor on October 1, 1984, becoming the first African American female to serve as Manager of Juvenile Detention in 2001, and then serving as Assistant Director of Juvenile Services since 2011; and

**WHEREAS**, through the years, Muriel has endeared herself to untold hundreds of citizens and colleagues not only by the many attributes of warmth, wit, loyalty, dependability—but also by those traits she does not possess: arrogant self-importance, pettiness or pretentiousness; and

**WHEREAS**, her extensive knowledge of Juvenile Services, combined with her desire to help people, made her an invaluable counselor, advisor, mentor and friend to many colleagues and employees not only in Juvenile Services, but throughout Caddo Parish and the State of Louisiana; and

**WHEREAS**, now that her retirement is upon us, we pray the days are plentifully filled with family, food, and relaxation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Caddo Parish Commissioners, who have served during her tenure, acknowledge the legacy of her work and affirm the commitment she has given to the Parish of Caddo's Juvenile Services, its staff and the Parish's citizens.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Caddo Parish Commission, that it does hereby express its deep and sincere appreciation to Mrs. Muriel Burns for her invaluable contributions rendered on behalf of his service and declare, July 19, 2020 as:

**MURIEL BURNS DAY**

in Caddo Parish, Louisiana, calling upon all citizens to note this occasion with a sense of appreciation and gratitude.