

PROCLAMATION

*To all whom these letters shall come, Greetings:
Know ye, that the Louisville Metro Council in spirit of deep gratitude, Honors:*

Rev. Dr. Frank M. Smith, Jr.

Whereas, Rev. Dr. Frank M. Smith, Jr. has dedicated his life to the service of God and his community, leading with unwavering faith, compassion, and wisdom for the past twenty-five years as the Senior Pastor and founder of Christ's Church for our Community Church located in Metro Louisville; and

Whereas, Rev. Dr. Frank M. Smith, Jr.'s commitment to spiritual guidance, community outreach, and social empowerment has profoundly impacted the lives of countless individuals, strengthening the bonds of fellowship and love within Christ's Church for our Community Church and beyond; and

Whereas, Rev. Dr. Frank M. Smith, Jr. is no stranger to the sacrificial labor and pioneering work involved in church planting and institutional development. He is the creator of a three-fold mission at Christ's Church for our Community: Reaching Up – Reaching In – Reaching Out.; and

Whereas, Rev. Dr. Frank M. Smith, Jr.'s leadership has inspired hope, healing, and unity, making a lasting difference in Metro Louisville, not only as a Senior Pastor but also uplifting and inspiring young men and women in higher education at Simmons College of Kentucky. With a Doctorate of Divinity from Simmons College, Rev. Dr. Frank M. Smith Jr. serves as the Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer since 2007. His work with Simmons College of Kentucky has led the College to attain and reaffirm accreditation, facilitate management of operations and facilities, and facilitate faith and community relations; and

Whereas, in recognition of Rev. Dr. Frank M. Smith, Jr.'s dedication, Metro Louisville proudly honors his legacy with the naming of the Northwest Corner of Krupp Park Drive and Preston Highway as "Dr. Frank M. Smith, Jr." Drive in his honor; and

Whereas, we are immensely proud to have a remarkable network of compassionate and justice-driven individuals in our community, and we are profoundly honored to commemorate Rev. Dr. Frank M. Smith, Jr.'s inaugural celebration of Christ's Church of our Community Church Day in Louisville on June 12, 2025

Now, therefore be it resolved that, we the community of Metro Louisville hereby confer and pay tribute, by way of this proclamation with all rights, privileges and responsibilities thereunto appertaining. In testimony, we have caused these letters to be made and the seal of the Metro Government to be hereunto affixed.

*Done in Louisville Metro City Hall,
Within the Commonwealth of Kentucky
This 12th day of June 2025*

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