



Proclamation

WHEREAS, Joseph L. “Joe” Lewis was born in Mobile on March 18, 1936, raised in The Bottom community, and graduated from Most Pure Heart of Mary High School, where he began his musical journey playing baritone and later his beloved alto saxophone; and,

WHEREAS, Joe Lewis served his country in the Air Force, playing in the U.S. Military Band and performing in the States and in Europe from 1955-1959 before returning to Mobile and forming the musical group *The Lewis Brothers* with his brothers Marion, Johnny, and Eugene; and

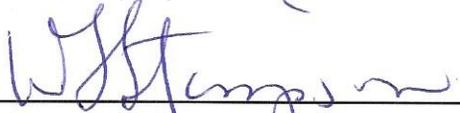
WHEREAS, Mr. Lewis served as Music Minister and music teacher for 30 years, composing songs and arrangements for St. James Major Catholic Church and the Archdiocese which are still in use today; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Lewis’ mentorship in our City, service to his community, and notoriety as a jazz saxophonist are a tremendous asset to the City of Mobile;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, *William S. Stimpson, 108th Mayor of the City of Mobile, Alabama do hereby proclaim March 18th, 2020*

Mr. Joe Lewis Day
in the City of Mobile

*Done at the City of Mobile, Alabama,
this 18th day of March, 2020*



William S. Stimpson, Mayor