

State of Louisiana



Parish of Caddo

In the Name and By the Authority of The Caddo Parish Commission

Resolution Of Recognition & Remembrance

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF MR. WALI AMIN

WHEREAS, it is with deep respect and solemn reflection that the Caddo Parish Commission acknowledges the passing of Mr. Wali Amin, who was born on March 23, 1931, in Shreveport, Louisiana, to Winters and Martha Harve; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wali Amin joined the United States Air Force at the age of 18, dedicating his youth to the service of his country, and during his military career, he traveled the world, gaining experiences and insights that shaped his compassionate and visionary spirit; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wali Amin was a godly man of unwavering faith, who embraced Islam in 1958, becoming an active and respected member of the Muslim community in Los Angeles, California. Upon returning to Louisiana, he was instrumental in establishing Islamic communities in both Shreveport and Monroe, and in 1996, Mr. Wali Amin fulfilled a lifelong dream by making the Pilgrimage to Kaaba in Mecca, Saudi Arabia, a journey of profound spiritual significance; and

WHEREAS, in Shreveport, Mr. Wali Amin married his first wife, with whom he had four children, and later worked for Orkin Exterminating Company for a decade. His entrepreneurial spirit led him to found New World Pest Control in 1988, the first black-owned, licensed, bonded, and insured pest control company in Northwest Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wali Amin's dedication to his work and his community was unparalleled. His motto, "Customer first in satisfaction and service," exemplified his commitment to excellence, perseverance, and integrity. He built his business with hard work, patience, and an enduring spirit, always ensuring that each job was completed with perfection and care; and

WHEREAS, beyond his professional success, Mr. Wali Amin was deeply committed to giving back to his community. He provided employment opportunities to local residents, mentored and ministered to incarcerated individuals, offering them a path to rehabilitation and reintegration into society. His acts of kindness and generosity were a beacon of hope; and

WHEREAS, in 1990, Mr. Wali Amin met and married the love of his life, Helen Jewitt Amin, and together they nurtured and grew New World Pest Control. Their shared vision extended to philanthropy, reestablishing the Amin Scholarship and Award Foundation, Inc. in 2003. Through this foundation, they generously awarded over \$500,000 in scholarships to assist high school students in pursuing higher education, demonstrating their unwavering commitment to the betterment of future generations; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wali Amin's life was a testament to integrity, professionalism, and service. His achievements were recognized by many, including the South Shreveport Community Improvement Club, the Annual Community Achievement Award for Excellence Civic & Community Commitment, and David Wade Correctional Center, among others; and

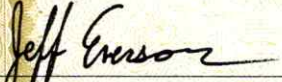
WHEREAS, in 1996, Mr. Wali Amin fulfilled one of his lifelong dreams by making the Pilgrimage to Kaaba in Mecca, Saudi Arabia, a journey of profound spiritual significance that further exemplified his devotion to his faith; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wali Amin leaves behind a legacy of love, faith, and community service, cherished by his beloved wife Helen Jewitt Amin, his children Ismail Amin, Sandria Amin, and Aiesha Amin, and a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and friends; and

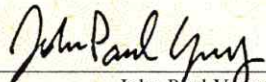
NOW, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Caddo Parish Commission does hereby honor the life and legacy of Mr. Wali Amin, expressing our deepest gratitude for his contributions to our community and offering our heartfelt condolences to his family and loved ones during this time of bereavement; and


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the official minutes of the Caddo Parish Commission and that a copy be presented to the family of Mr. Wali Amin as a token of our respect and remembrance.

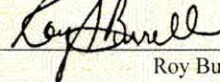
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