



Office of the Mayor

Jesup, Georgia



# PROCLAMATION

## 150<sup>th</sup> Birthday of the City of Jesup

Whereas, on October 24, 1870, an act of the Georgia legislature created Jesup, a community in the County of Wayne; and

Whereas, Jesup became a settlement known as Station Number Six on the Atlantic and Gulf Railroad about 1857; and

Whereas, Willis Gary came to Station Number 6 in 1867 and ordered the first town survey; and

Whereas, Station Number Six became known as the town of Jesup; and

Whereas, Willis Gary was elected mayor of Jesup and conducted its first city commission meeting on December 3, 1870; and

Whereas, Mayor Willis Gary convinced the Macon and Brunswick Railroad to cross the Atlantic and Gulf Railroad in Jesup thereby identifying Jesup as "the city that trains built"; and

Whereas, in 1874, the county seat of Wayne County was moved from Waynesville to Jesup; and

Whereas, the families that settled in early Jesup include the Whaley, Wilkins, Remshart, Littlefield, Milikin, Kelly and Hopps families; and

Whereas, October 24, 2020 is the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of this date.

Now, Therefore let it be ordained and resolved that **October 18-25, 2020** be officially declared the official Sesquicentennial observance for the City of Jesup as is hereby affirmed on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of **October** in the year of our Lord **two thousand twenty**, of the Independence of the United States the two hundred forty fourth, of the statehood of Georgia the two hundred thirty second and of the County of Wayne the two hundred fifteenth.



In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused this seal to be affixed.

ATTEST:

DATE:

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October 2020