



PROCLAMATION

COUNTY OF KENTON
COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
OFFICE OF THE JUDGE/EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS: Arnold Simpson was born on April 26, 1952, in Somerset, Kentucky. He is the son of James and Zona Pennington Simpson. Mr. Simpson graduated from Kentucky State University in 1974, and the University of Kentucky College of Law in 1977. He married Jo Ann Hill on October 10, 1981; and

WHEREAS: In 1986, Arnold Simpson became the first African-American City Manager of Covington. He then became the first African-American to represent Northern Kentucky in the Kentucky House of Representatives in 1994. He served as a member of the Kentucky House of Representatives for 24 years, representing parts or all of the cities of Covington, Ludlow, and Park Hills; and

WHEREAS: Mr. Simpson served as a board member for numerous organizations in Kenton County and Northern Kentucky, such as the Covington Civil Service Commission, and the Northern Kentucky Arts Council. . He is a lifelong resident of Covington, a graduate of Holmes High School, and dedicated his life to serving his hometown.

NOW, THEREFORE, We, the Kenton County Fiscal Court do hereby proclaim Arnold Simpson as a:

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In witness thereof, we have hereunto set our hand and caused to be affixed the Seal of the County of Kenton, Kentucky.

Judge/Executive Kris A. Knochelmann

Commissioner Beth Sewell

Commissioner Dr. Jon Draud

Commissioner Joe Nienaber