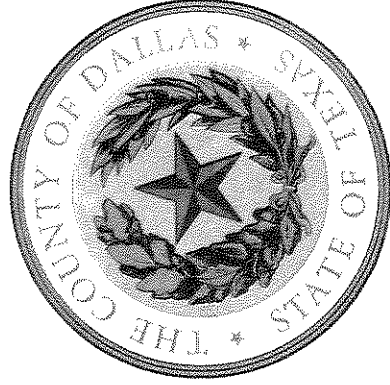


# Resolution



ORDER NO: 2013-1841

DATE: November 12, 2013

STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF DALLAS §

**BE IT REMEMBERED**, at a regular meeting of the Commissioners Court of Dallas County, Texas, held on the 12th day of November, 2013, on motion made by Dr. Theresa M. Daniel, Commissioner of District #1, and seconded by John Wiley Price, Commissioner of District #3, the following Resolution was adopted:

**WHEREAS**, Ernest "Ernie" Banks was born in Dallas, Texas to Eddie and Essie Banks on January 31, 1931; and

**WHEREAS**, Banks graduated from Booker T. Washington High School in 1950. He started his baseball career that year with the Kansas City Monarchs of the Negro American League; and

**WHEREAS**, Banks made his Major League debut with the Chicago Cubs on September 17<sup>th</sup>, 1953. He played 19 seasons, had 512 home runs, and 1,636 RBI's. Banks played in 14 National League All-Star games, won the National League Most Valuable Player award twice and was also home run champion two times; and

**WHEREAS**, during his last years with the Cubs, Banks was named a player-coach. Upon retirement, he joined their regular coaching staff; and was inducted to the Hall of Fame in 1977; and

**WHEREAS**, during and after his tenure with the Cubs, Banks was an active member of the Chicago community. He established a charity, the Live Above & Beyond Foundation, to help eliminate prejudice. In 1967, Banks was the first African-American to own a Ford Motor Company dealership in the United States; and

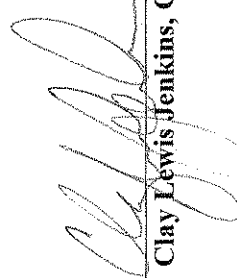
**WHEREAS**, President Obama said, "The Presidential Medal of Freedom goes to men and women who have dedicated their lives to enriching ours." On August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2013, Ernie Banks was announced as a recipient of the 2013 Presidential Medal of Freedom.; and


**WHEREAS**, this year marks the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Executive Order signed by President John F. Kennedy establishing the Presidential Medal of Freedom.

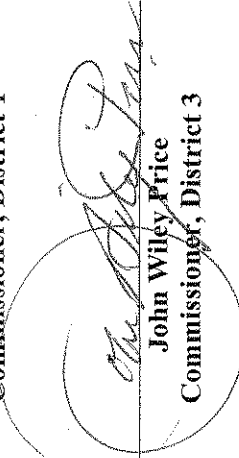
**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED**, that the Dallas County Commissioners Court does hereby recognize and extend our heartfelt congratulations to Dallas born, Ernie Banks.


**DONE IN OPEN COURT** this the 12th day of November, 2013.

  
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Dr. Theresa Daniel  
Commissioner, District 1

  
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Clay Lewis Jenkins, County Judge

  
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Mike Cantrell  
Commissioner, District 2

  
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John Wiley Price  
Commissioner, District 3

  
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Dr. Elba Garcia  
Commissioner, District 4