

CWSC PROCLAMATION

FOUNDER'S DAY

WHEREAS: Thomas Abdul Salaam born in Stockton, California February 18, 1953 served in the United States Air Force achieving the rank of sergeant while also serving as Islamic lay leader in Georgia, Arizona, and at Incirlik Air Base Turkey, until his honorable discharge in 1987; and

WHEREAS: Salaam returned to Stockton to serve his city and state devoting over 25 years as a volunteer prison chaplain, youth advisor, and leader in the California Adult and Youth Correctional Institutions for men and women, including San Joaquin County Jail and Valley State Prison; and

WHEREAS: Salaam earned advanced degrees in public administration in 1995 and became a three-time published author penning the *ABCs of Life Enrichment*, *I Want My Life Back* and *The Power 2BU* as a life coach inspiring countless others through self-help enrichment courses; and

WHEREAS: Salaam founded in 2009 American Muslim 360® Radio AM360.org garnering awards as a major Muslim media influencer that is now a 24-hour station with 600,000+ listen level as the #1 Islamic radio station in the nation where your intellect is respected and your voice protected; and

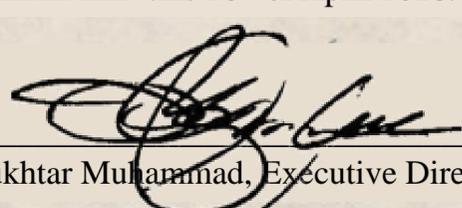
WHEREAS: Salaam founded Community Wide Shuraa Conference CWSC in 2013 to turn dialog into action via faith-based volunteer resource networks, such that CWSC today supports other nonprofits, awards scholarships; leads congressional delegations, presents at the U.N., and supports disaster relief, women's rights, and the rights of girls' education globally; and

WHEREAS: Salaam was named nationally in 2014 to the list of 50 Inspirational African American Muslim Men and will be honored posthumously March 8 and May 23, 2020 with a Lifetime Achievement Award at the CWSC Grand Gala Awards Celebration marking the 10th Anniversary of AM360; and

WHEREAS: Through his pioneering vision and civic leadership, Thomas Abdul Salaam has left a lasting personal and institutional legacy inspiring Stockton citizens, Californians and faith communities across our nation.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors do hereby proclaim **August 26 annually as CWSC FOUNDER'S DAY** and recognizes there are many opportunities for individuals and institutions across the nation to support the faith, civic and community service ideals of Founder's Day.

PROCLAIMED this 26th of April 2018.


Mukhtar Muhammad, Executive Director

