

Proclamation

WHEREAS, In 1925, a group of civic-minded Atlantans founded Goodwill Industries of Atlanta in a small house on Edgewood Avenue; today, Goodwill of North Georgia operates 11 retail locations and two career centers in Fulton County, continuing its century-long tradition of service and unwavering commitment to the local community; and



WHEREAS, Goodwill of North Georgia currently operates 70 retail stores, 14 career centers, a mobile career center, and more than 40 attended donation centers throughout North Georgia, employs more than 3,600 team members, diverts over 40 million pounds of material from landfills each year, welcomes more than 7 million guests annually, and has served more than 50 million donors; and



WHEREAS, through its strategic approach of "A Job, A Better Job, A Career," Goodwill of North Georgia has helped more than 27,000 Fulton County residents secure meaningful employment in fields such as forklift operations, welding, supply chain management, and highway construction over the past 13 years; its two Fulton County career centers, located on Old National Highway and Metropolitan Parkway, have collectively contributed to the economic development within Fulton County; and



WHEREAS, throughout its 100 years of service, Goodwill of North Georgia has remained committed to innovation and forward-thinking workforce development; with tailored programs for entrepreneurs, high school students, veterans, and individuals with disabilities, the organization continues to meet the evolving needs of the modern workforce; and



WHEREAS, its strategic goals include serving an additional 155,000 job seekers by 2030, expanding its retail footprint, and deepening its sustainability efforts to further its positive impact on Georgia's economy and environment;



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Fulton County Board of Commissioners recognizes Goodwill of North Georgia for 100 years of unwavering dedication to enhancing lives and fostering opportunity in Fulton County and the State of Georgia, and does hereby proclaim Wednesday, August 6, 2025, as **"GOODWILL OF NORTH GEORGIA APPRECIATION DAY"** in Fulton County, Georgia.



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