WHEREAS,

Throughout Fulton County's history, people of Irish descent have played an important role in our community;

and



WHEREAS,

St. Patrick's Day is an annual celebration honoring the heritage of Ireland and people of Irish descent; and



WHEREAS,

the Atlanta St. Patrick's Day Parade, which began in 1858 under the leadership of the Hibernian Benevolent Society, is one of the oldest St. Patrick's Day parades in the nation;



WHEREAS,

thousands of volunteers come together each year to produce this celebration of culture and civic pride, with extensive support from business, civic and community organizations; and



WHEREAS,

the parade attracts individuals and groups from around the city and the South including clowns, floats, bands, Bagpipe

& Drum Corps, children, dancers, drill teams, and more

resulting in a fun "family" event; and



WHEREAS.

today the St. Patrick's Day Parade is organized by organizations of Irish decent, including the Irish Network

Atlanta and sponsored by The Coca-Cola Company; the St. Patrick's Day Parade is one of the longest running events in

Atlanta's history; and



WHEREAS,

the 2022 St. Patrick's Day Parade marks 164 years of this

special celebration in Fulton County; and



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED That the Fulton County Board of Commissioners commends the Atlanta St. Patrick's Day Parade on 164 years of civic pride and cultural celebration, and does hereby proclaim Saturday, March 12, 2022 as "ATLANTA ST. PATRICK'S PARADE DAY" in Fulton County, Georgia.

Fulton County Board of Commissioners

Chair to the Commission

Attest:

Clerk to the Commission