

1 **A RESOLUTION TO AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 21-0282 THAT CREATED**
2 **AND ESTABLISHED THE FULTON COUNTY VETERANS EMPOWERMENT**
3 **COMMISSION BY REVISING ITS PURPOSE TO CONTINUE TO OPERATE**
4 **SOLELY AS AN ADVISORY BODY TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**
5 **AND NOT AS A NON-PROFIT CORPORATION; AND FOR OTHER**
6 **PURPOSES.**

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8 **WHEREAS**, on April 21, 2021, the Board of Commissioners of Fulton
9 County created and established the Fulton County Veterans Empowerment
10 Commission (the “Veterans Commission”) pursuant to Resolution No. 21-0282
11 (the “Establishing Resolution”); and

12 **WHEREAS**, the Establishing Resolution provides that the Veterans
13 Commission serves as an advisory body to investigate and provide
14 recommendations to the Board of Commissioners concerning priorities,
15 objectives, and policies which will support the veteran population in Fulton
16 County; and

17 **WHEREAS**, the Establishing Resolution further provides that the Veterans
18 Commission would be formed as a domestic nonprofit entity and directed County
19 staff to file the necessary incorporation paperwork with the Georgia Secretary of
20 State; and

21 **WHEREAS**, the Establishing Resolution further provides that the Veterans
22 Commission shall research and apply for grant funding and otherwise make
23 funding recommendations for public and private programs which will benefit the
24 veteran population of Fulton County, Georgia; and

25 **WHEREAS**, the Veterans Commission has been meeting regularly since
26 November 22, 2021, and at its June 16, 2022 meeting, the Veterans Commission
27 determined that because the Veterans Commission itself does not deliver direct

1 programmatic or other tangible services to veterans, the Veterans Commission
2 would likely not be able to secure sustainable grant funding as a viable nonprofit
3 corporation; and

4 **WHEREAS**, at its June 16, 2022 meeting, the Veterans Commission voted
5 to recommend to the Board of Commissioners that the Veterans Commission
6 amend the Establishing Resolution to provide that the Veterans Commission
7 function solely as an advisory body going forward, and no longer operate as a
8 non-profit corporate entity that applies for grant funding independently; and

9 **WHEREAS**, based on the recommendation of the Veterans Commission,
10 the Board of Commissioners is agreeable that the Veterans Commission should
11 function solely as an advisory body and not operate as a non-profit nor seek
12 grant funding.

13 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of
14 Commissioners of Fulton County hereby amends Resolution 21-0282 to provide
15 that the Fulton County Veterans Empowerment Commission shall function solely
16 as an advisory body to the Board of Commissioners and shall abandon being
17 established as a nonprofit corporate entity and can no longer apply for grant
18 funding as a nonprofit corporation.

19 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that County Staff is directed to take all
20 necessary steps to undo the formation of the Veterans Commission as a non-
21 profit corporation with the Georgia Secretary of State.

22 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Veterans Commission shall
23 continue to serve solely as an advisory body to the Board of Commissioners to

1 investigate and provide recommendations to the Board of Commissioners of
2 priorities, objectives, and policies which will support the veteran population in
3 Fulton County.

4 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Veterans Commission shall
5 continue to research and otherwise make funding recommendations to the Board
6 of Commissioners for public and private programs that will benefit the veteran
7 population of Fulton County, Georgia.

8 **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, that this Resolution shall become effective
9 upon its adoption, and that all resolutions and parts of resolutions in conflict with
10 this Resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict.

11 **SO PASSED AND ADOPTED**, this 7th day of September 2022.

12 **FULTON COUNTY BOARD**
13 **OF COMMISSIONERS**

14 SPONSORED BY:

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18 By: _____
19 Marvin S. Arrington, Jr.
20 Commissioner, District 5
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22 ATTEST:

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27 Tonya R. Grier
28 Clerk to the Commission

29 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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34 Fulton County Attorney

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