

# Proclamation

WHEREAS,

The contributions and sacrifices of the men and women who served in the Armed Forces have been vital in maintaining the freedoms and way of life enjoyed by our citizens; and

WHEREAS,

veterans continue to serve our community in the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, religious groups, civil service, and by functioning as County Veteran Service Officers in 29 states to help fellow former service members access more than \$52 billion in federal health, disability and compensation benefits each year; and



WHEREAS,

approximately 200,000 service members transition to civilian communities annually, and an estimated 20 percent increase of service members will transition to civilian life in the near future; and



WHEREAS,

Fulton County Government is proud to work with our Veterans Empowerment Commission and others in the community to support the more than 45,000 veterans who call Fulton County home; and



WHEREAS,

America's counties have a long and proud history of serving our nation's veterans, and the National Association of Counties and the National Association of County Veteran Service Officers have invited the nation's 3,069 counties, parishes, and boroughs to join Operation Green Light and show support for veterans by lighting our buildings green from November 4<sup>th</sup> through the 11<sup>th</sup>; and



WHEREAS,

Vetbuds, led by Jason Robbins as President, is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization where the members are all volunteers and share a common bond of military service and the desire to provide assistance to veterans directly within the scope of personal resources, and indirectly by their combined business, social and personal knowledge and connections;



**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** That the Fulton County Board of Commissioners recognizes our veterans and have great respect, admiration, and the utmost gratitude for their service, and does hereby proclaim November 4-11, 2024 as **"OPERATION GREEN LIGHT FOR VETERANS APPRECIATION DAYS"** in Fulton County, Georgia.

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