

1 **A RESOLUTION TO EXTEND EMERGENCY PURCHASING AUTHORITY OF THE**  
2 **CHAIRMAN AND COUNTY MANAGER FOR COVID-19 RELATED PURCHASES;**  
3 **AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

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5 **WHEREAS**, beginning in March 2020, Fulton County, Georgia has been impacted  
6 by the threat and spread of a novel coronavirus known as SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19); and

7 **WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020, to control the spread of the virus, President  
8 Donald Trump issued a “Proclamation on Declaring a National Emergency Concerning  
9 the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Outbreak”; and

10 **WHEREAS**, on February 24, 2021, President Joseph Biden extended the  
11 “Proclamation on Declaring a National Emergency Concerning the Novel Coronavirus  
12 Disease (COVID-19) Outbreak”; and

13 **WHEREAS**, on February 18, 2022, President Biden again extended the national  
14 emergency declaration beyond March 1, 2022; and

15 **WHEREAS**, on October 13, 2022, United States Department of Health and Human  
16 Services Secretary Xavier Becerra renewed the COVID-19 public health emergency,  
17 which is renewed every 90 days, until January 11, 2023; and

18 **WHEREAS**, the pandemic is ongoing, and Fulton County continues to have a great  
19 need for emergency vehicles to remain in place to allow the County to access COVID -  
20 19 response services and equipment as necessary to provide appropriate responses as  
21 the COVID-19 pandemic continues to cause significant risk to public health and safety;  
22 and

23 **WHEREAS**, the public health emergency caused by the spread, and potential  
24 spread, of COVID-19 has negatively impacted Fulton County’s public health, supply  
25 chain, and healthcare infrastructure; and

1           **WHEREAS**, on March 18, 2020, the Board of Commissioners (“BOC”) passed  
2 Resolution No. 20-0237 authorizing the Chairman and the County Manager to execute  
3 any documents, including but not limited to, contracts, memorandums of understanding,  
4 or declarations necessary to ensure the maintenance of critical governmental functions  
5 during the pandemic; and

6           **WHEREAS**, this authority granted to the Chairman and County Manager, as  
7 extended, expires on December 21, 2022; and

8           **WHEREAS**, the BOC wishes to continue the authorization granted to the County  
9 Manager and Chairman to make COVID-19 related emergency purchases from any  
10 funding the County has received including the Federal Emergency Management Agency  
11 (FEMA), the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (Stafford  
12 Act) (42 U.S.C §§ 5121-5207), Consolidated Appropriations Act (H.R. 133, 116th Cong.  
13 (2020)), Emergency Rental Assistance Program (15 U.S.C. § 9058c), Coronavirus Aid,  
14 Relief and Economic Security Act (C.A.R.E.S. Act) (Pub. Law 116-136, March 27, 2020,  
15 15 U.S.C. § 9001 et seq.), and American Rescue Plan Act ( H.R. 1319, 117th Cong.  
16 (2021)), using the same process that was put into place to handle C.A.R.E.S. Act funded  
17 projects consistent with Fulton County Code of Ordinances § 102-385.

18           **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners hereby  
19 extends the time-period of COVID-19 related emergency purchasing authority to the  
20 County Manager and Chairman until January 18, 2023.

21           **FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Chairman or the County Manager are  
22 hereby authorized to execute any documents, including but not limited to contracts,

1 memorandums of understanding, or declarations necessary to ensure the maintenance  
2 of critical governmental functions.

3 **FINALLY, BE IT RESOLVED**, that this Resolution shall become effective upon  
4 adoption and shall continue until further notice.

5 **PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County, this  
6 21<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2022.

**FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**SPONSORED BY:**

*Robert L. Pitts*

Chairman Robert L. Pitts



**ATTEST:**

*Tonya R. Grier*

Tonya R. Grier  
Clerk to the Commission

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