

1 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DONATION OF \$500,000.00 TO ATLANTA
2 TECHNICAL COLLEGE (“ATC”) IN SUPPORT OF ATC’S EXPANSION OF ITS
3 COMMERCIAL DRIVER’S LICENSE PROGRAM (THE “PROGRAM”) IN FULTON
4 COUNTY, GEORGIA TO ENHANCE ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE
5 CITIZENS OF FULTON COUNTY, GEORGIA; DIRECTING THE COUNTY MANAGER
6 AND COUNTY ATTORNEY TO NEGOTIATE AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL
7 AGREEMENT BETWEEN FULTON COUNTY AND ATC REGARDING THE USE OF
8 SAID FUNDS FOR THE PROGRAM; AUTHORIZING THE FULTON COUNTY
9 FINANCE DEPARTMENT TO EXPEND SUCH FUNDS AFTER THE COUNTY
10 MANAGER IDENTIFIES THE SOURCE OF SAID FUNDING UNDER THE APPROVED
11 COUNTY BUDGET; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

12 WHEREAS, a major priority of Fulton County, Georgia is to investigate, study, and
13 undertake ways and means of promoting and encouraging prosperous economic
14 development and protection of business, industry, and commerce within Fulton County,
15 Georgia; and

16 WHEREAS, the Atlanta Technical College (“ATC”) is a public technical college
17 located in Atlanta, Georgia that is part of the Technical College System of Georgia
18 (“TCSG”) that provides educational services for Fulton and Clayton Counties; and

19 WHEREAS, ATC’s Economic Development Division provides training programs
20 and services designed to meet the needs of Georgia’s businesses, industries and
21 individuals in Fulton and Clayton Counties through training and developing solutions to
22 the challenges facing Georgia’s businesses, particularly in developing a skilled workforce;
23 and

24 WHEREAS, the metro-Atlanta area is a transportation hub, with ready access to
25 airports and interstates; and

26 WHEREAS, ATC estimates that the number of jobs in this field is expected to
27 increase by 14% nationally and 16% in the State of Georgia over the next several years;
28 and

29 WHEREAS, according to ATC, estimated salaries in this field start at \$40,000.00
30 a year; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Fulton County and ATC are interested in expanding ATC's
2 commercial driver's education to train Fulton County residents, and others, to operate
3 vehicles requiring a commercial driver's license to operate; and

4 **WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners finds that providing funding in an amount
5 up to Five Hundred Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$500,000.00) to ATC will create
6 and enhance opportunities for countless Fulton County residents to obtain a commercial
7 driver's license that will benefit their lives and the communities in which they reside; and

8 **WHEREAS**, Fulton County Code of Laws ("FCC") § 1-117 gives the Board of
9 Commissioners exclusive authority over the affairs of the County; and

10 **WHEREAS**, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 36-1-19.1, Fulton County is authorized and
11 empowered under the laws of the State of Georgia to appropriate money for the making
12 of any grant or contribution for purely charitable purposes, with such purposes being
13 defined to include educational purposes; and

14 **WHEREAS**, pursuant to FCC § 2-152, the County Manager has the duty "to
15 conduct, supervise and administer all county affairs, subject only to the general law, to
16 rules prescribed by the [Board of Commissioners], and subject to the right of the [Board
17 of Commissioners] to review, repeal or modify any action of the [County Manager] which
18 is contrary to the general law or such rules ..."; and

19 **WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners finds that it is in the best interest of
20 Fulton County, Georgia for the County Manager and the County Attorney to negotiate an
21 Intergovernmental Agreement between ATC and Fulton County related to the expansion
22 of ATC's commercial driving program with Fulton County and the contribution of an
23 amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 towards the program.

24 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners hereby
25 directs and authorizes the County Manager and the County Attorney to negotiate an
26 Intergovernmental Agreement between the Atlanta Technical College and Fulton County
27 and the contribution of an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 towards the program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Chairman is hereby authorized to execute the Intergovernmental Agreement and related documents, after this Intergovernmental Agreement is approved as to form by the County Attorney, who is authorized to make necessary modifications thereto prior to execution by the Chairman.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Finance Department is hereby authorized to expend funding under the Intergovernmental Agreement with the Atlanta Technical College from a funding source identified by the County Manager under the approved County Budget.

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

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County,
Georgia, this 3rd day of August, 2022.

FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Sponsored by:

Robert L. Pitts, Chairman

ATTEST:

Tonya R. Grier, Clerk to the Commission

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Y. Soo Jo, County Attorney