

Proclamation

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; and



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 2023 St. Patrick's Day Parade marks the 139th parade celebrating this special day in Fulton County;



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED That the Fulton County Board of Commissioners commends the Atlanta St. Patrick's Day Parade on its 139th anniversary of celebrating civic pride and cultural appreciation, and does hereby proclaim Saturday, March 11, 2023 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

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