

1 **A RESOLUTION TO DIRECT THE COUNTY MANAGER AND THE DEPARTMENT**  
2 **OF FINANCE TO COORDINATE WITH THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE, THE DISTRICT**  
3 **ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, AND THE OFFICE OF THE SOLICITOR-GENERAL TO**  
4 **DEVELOP A PLAN FOR INTAKE LEVEL DIVERSION SCREENING AT THE RICE**  
5 **STREET JAIL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

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7 **WHEREAS**, the Fulton County Board of Commissioners is responsible for  
8 appropriating County funds to support the effective administration of justice and the  
9 operation of the criminal justice system within Fulton County; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the Fulton County Board of Commissioners recognizes the  
11 importance of efficient intake procedures within the County jail system to ensure that  
12 individuals entering custody are appropriately assessed based on the charges for which  
13 they are being detained; and

14 **WHEREAS**, diversion programs provide alternatives to traditional prosecution for  
15 eligible individuals and may promote more efficient case processing while conserving  
16 judicial and correctional resources; and

17 **WHEREAS**, early identification of individuals eligible for diversion programs prior  
18 to completion of the jail intake process may reduce unnecessary detention time and  
19 improve coordination among criminal justice partners; and

20 **WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners recognizes effective implementation of  
21 intake level screening for diversion requires collaboration among the County Manager's  
22 Office, the Department of Finance, the Sheriff's Office, the District Attorney's Office, and  
23 the Office of the Solicitor-General; and

24 **WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners finds that a coordinated planning  
25 process is necessary to evaluate operational needs, interagency responsibilities, and  
26 fiscal considerations before implementing an intake based diversion screening initiative;

27           **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Fulton County Board of  
28 Commissioners urges and directs the County Manager, in coordination with the  
29 Department of Finance, to work collaboratively with the Sheriff's Office, the District  
30 Attorney's Office, and the Office of the Solicitor-General to develop a comprehensive  
31 plan to establish staffing at the Rice Street Jail intake facility to address charges and  
32 redirect eligible individuals to diversion programs prior to completion of the booking  
33 process; and

34           **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that such plan shall include operational  
35 procedures, staffing recommendations, legal considerations, interagency coordination  
36 protocols, and projected fiscal impacts; and

37           **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Manager Shall present the  
38 proposed implementation plan to the Board of Commissioners no later than the first  
39 regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners in June; and

40           **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a finalized proposed budget associated with  
41 the recommended plan shall be presented to the Board of Commissioners no later than  
42 the second regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners in July; and

43           **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, that this Resolution shall become effective upon  
44 adoption by the Fulton County Board of Commissioners.

45           **PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County,  
46 Georgia this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

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**FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF  
COMMISSIONERS**

**SPONSORED BY:**

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Mo Ivory, Commissioner  
(District 4)

**ATTEST:**

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Tonya R. Grier, Clerk to the Commission

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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Y. Soo Jo, County Attorney