

1     **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN ADDITIONAL ONE MILLION DOLLARS  
2     (\$1,000.000.00) FOR THE FY2022 CONTRACT FOR SERVICES PROGRAM AWARD  
3     TO FULTON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ARTS AND CULTURE TO FURTHER  
4     SUPPORT THE ARTS COMMUNITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

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6         **WHEREAS**, in 1979, the Fulton County Board of Commissioners established the

7     Fulton County Arts Council to enhance the quality of life of Fulton County residents; and

8         **WHEREAS**, the mission of the Fulton County Department of Arts and Culture is to

9     coordinate with the Fulton County Arts Council to ensure that all Fulton County citizens

10    have access to the arts and the benefits derived from such exposure; and

11         **WHEREAS**, the Fulton County Arts Council and the Fulton County Department of

12    Arts & Culture serve as the conduit by which the Board of Commissioners provides

13    funding to Fulton County based nonprofit arts organizations to support cultural programs

14    and art related services to Fulton County residents; and

15         **WHEREAS**, the Fulton County Department of Arts & Culture has vigorously

16    pursued quality arts programming through support and development of artists, arts

17    organizations, arts institutions, and cultural programming for residents; and

18         **WHEREAS**, beginning in March 2020, Fulton County, Georgia has been impacted

19    by the pandemic caused by the spread of a novel coronavirus known as SARS-CoV-2

20    (COVID-19); and

21         **WHEREAS**, the public health emergency caused by the COVID-19 pandemic has

22    negatively impacted Fulton County's arts infrastructure, adversely impacting arts

23    organizations, artists, and their patrons; and

24         **WHEREAS**, the COVID-19 pandemic has led to a lack of funding and loss of job

25    opportunities for the Fulton County arts community; and

1           **WHEREAS**, the Fulton County Board of Commissioners believes the arts are  
2    essential to the quality of life of our citizens and to the economic and social health of our  
3    communities; and

4           **WHEREAS**, O.C.G.A. § 36-1-19.1 authorizes the County to provide grants,  
5    appropriation or contributions for arts and humanities purposes, to be carried out within  
6    the boundaries of the County; and

7           **WHEREAS**, the Fulton County Contract for Services program provides the funding  
8    for Fulton County's arts infrastructure, arts organizations, and artists in Fulton County;

9           **WHEREAS**, the Fulton County Board of Commissioners desires to support the  
10   Fulton County arts community that has been affected by the pandemic by providing  
11   additional funding in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 to the FY2022 Contract for Services  
12   program award to the Fulton County Department of Arts and Culture.

13           **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Fulton County Board of  
14   Commissioners hereby authorizes additional funding in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 to  
15   the FY2022 Contract for Services program award to the Fulton County Department of  
16   Arts & Culture.

17           **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners hereby directs  
18   the County Manager and the Finance Department to ensure that the funding allocation  
19   from the Non-Agency Appropriated Reserve is made available to the Fulton County  
20   Department of Arts & Culture through the FY2022 Contract for Services program as  
21   quickly as feasible to serve Fulton County's arts infrastructure, arts organizations, and  
22   artists in Fulton County.

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

4                   **PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County,  
5                   Georgia, this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2022.

# FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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