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Memorandum

To: James Husserl, Budget Manager – Finance

From: Keith E. Gammage, Solicitor-General/cc

Cc: Catherine Walker, Budget Analyst – Finance

Date: April 6, 2021

Subject: 400 Salary Savings Request – Reimbursable UGA paid legal internship

The purpose of this memorandum is to obtain your authorization to utilize reimbursable salary savings in order to execute our UGA/Fulton SG Internship Program. The Fulton Office of Solicitor-General established relationships with the School of Public & International Affairs which selected Fulton County to host the inaugural legal internship program to expose their students to Restorative Justice and balanced approaches to prosecution. We propose to utilize salary savings to pay the upfront expenses for the summer 2021 intern collaboration between The University of Georgia School of Public & International Affairs (UGA) and The Fulton County Office of Solicitor-General.

UGA is providing reimbursable funding through the School of Public & International Affairs pursuant to the award letter that reimburses the costs to Fulton County to engage interns to complete projects related to law, government and public policy beginning April 14, 2021 until June 30, 2021. Ten (10) students will be selected to participate in The Fulton County Restorative Justice Summer Internship Program, hosted by Solicitor-General Gammage. Students will earn \$12.00 per hour up to 200 hours for a maximum reimbursement of \$2,400.00 per intern. These expenses will be reimbursed by the University of Georgia.

To be eligible to receive the reimbursement, Fulton County must hire an intern who is an undergraduate student at UGA. Office of Fulton County Attorney has already approved the MOU between our office and UGA. As agreed upon, Fulton County may hire an intern as an independent contractor or as a paid volunteer for reimbursement under the agreement proposed between the Fulton County Attorney's Office and the Legal Affairs team of UGA. Neither the University nor any of their students/interns are considered full-time employees of Fulton County therefore eliminating the need for fringe benefits, FICA and Medicare SS expenses. This is a great program for Fulton County and for UGA. It is noteworthy that Fulton County was selected over Athens-Clarke and other local jurisdictions that sought consideration.

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We see this great program as budget neutral. The total estimated reimbursable cost for this collaboration is \$24,000.00. Additional information concerning this request for which we would like to utilize salary savings is listed below.

Project	Amount	Transfer From	Transfer To	Comment
2021 FCSG Restorative Justice Summer Internship	\$24,000.00	Funding Line 1000	100-400-4000- 1005	Ten (10) interns being compensated at max \$2,400.00 each.