A RESOLUTION TO EXTEND EMERGENCY PURCHASING AUTHORITY OF THE CHAIRMAN AND COUNTY MANAGER FOR COVID-19 RELATED PURCHASES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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WHEREAS, beginning in March 2020, Fulton County, Georgia has been impacted 5 by the threat and spread of a novel coronavirus known as SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19); and 6 7 WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, to control the spread of the virus, President Donald Trump issued a "Proclamation on Declaring a National Emergency Concerning 8 the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Outbreak"; and 9 WHEREAS, on February 24, 2021, President Joseph Biden extended the 10 "Proclamation on Declaring a National Emergency Concerning the Novel Coronavirus 11 Disease (COVID-19) Outbreak"; and 12 13 WHEREAS, on February 18, 2022, President Biden again extended the national emergency declaration beyond March 1, 2022; and 14 WHEREAS, on October 13, 2022, United States Department of Health and Human 15 Services Secretary Xavier Becerra renewed the COVID-19 public health emergency, 16 which is renewed every 90 days, until January 11, 2023; and 17

WHEREAS, the pandemic is ongoing, and Fulton County continues to have a great need for emergency vehicles to remain in place to allow the County to access COVID -19 response services and equipment as necessary to provide appropriate responses as the COVID-19 pandemic continues to cause significant risk to public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, the public health emergency caused by the spread, and potential spread, of COVID-19 has negatively impacted Fulton County's public health, supply chain, and healthcare infrastructure; and

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WHEREAS, on March 18, 2020, the Board of Commissioners ("BOC") passed
Resolution No. 20-0237 authorizing the Chairman and the County Manager to execute
any documents, including but not limited to, contracts, memorandums of understanding,
or declarations necessary to ensure the maintenance of critical governmental functions
during the pandemic; and

6 WHEREAS, this authority granted to the Chairman and County Manager, as 7 extended, expires on October 19, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the BOC wishes to continue the authorization granted to the County 8 9 Manager and Chairman to make COVID-19 related emergency purchases from any 10 funding the County has received including the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (Stafford 11 Act) (42 U.S.C §§ 5121-5207), Consolidated Appropriations Act (H.R. 133, 116th Cong. 12 (2020)), Emergency Rental Assistance Program (15 U.S.C. § 9058c), Coronavirus Aid, 13 14 Relief and Economic Security Act (C.A.R.E.S. Act) (Pub. Law 116-136, March 27, 2020, 15 15 U.S.C. § 9001 et seq.), and American Rescue Plan Act (H.R. 1319, 117th Cong. 16 (2021)), using the same process that was put into place to handle C.A.R.E.S. Act funded projects consistent with Fulton County Code of Ordinances § 102-385. 17

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners hereby
 extends the time-period of COVID-19 related emergency purchasing authority to the
 County Manager and Chairman until November 16, 2022.

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chairman or the County Manager are hereby authorized to execute any documents, including but not limited to contracts,

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1 memorandums of understanding, or declarations necessary to ensure the maintenance

- 2 of critical governmental functions.
- 3 FINALLY, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective upon
- 4 adoption and shall continue until further notice.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the	Board of Commissioners of Fulton County, this
day of topes, 2022.	
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