WHEREAS, Individuals with Down syndrome are active citizens who contribute much to the overall quality of life in this community; and greater public awareness and acceptance of these WHEREAS, persons will increase their access to education, employment, housing and social and recreational opportunities; and it is the desire of our community to create a place WHEREAS, where all people can explore and develop their varied abilities, can enjoy productive work, and can contribute by meaningful participation in the life of the communities; and it is the goal of Fulton County to instill positive WHEREAS. perceptions of people with Down syndrome; and during October 2023 National Down Syndrome WHEREAS, Awareness Month, Fulton County residents are encouraged to promote positive awareness and greater opportunities for persons with Down syndrome, and are challenged to look beyond a person's particular disability, and focus instead upon each person's

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County recognizes the importance of National Down Syndrome Awareness Month as an opportunity to embrace the acceptance and inclusion of people with Down syndrome and does hereby proclaim the month of October 2023 as "NATIONAL DOWN SYNDROME AWARENESS MONTH" in Fulton County, Georgia.

Fulton County Board of Commissioners Commissioner Attest: Clerk to the Commission Y T

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diverse abilities and contributions to the community;