WHEREAS,

The Fulton County Library System's Friends of the Library volunteer program is a unique opportunity for citizens to contribute their time and expertise to enhance the services of Fulton County and the Library System, growing from a few dozen volunteers in 1989, when it first began, to over 3,500 Friends volunteers; and



WHEREAS.

the Fulton County Library System Friends volunteers play a vital role in advocating for library services; collecting, sorting, organizing and selling thousands of donated books at book sales and book stores across the County; hosting fundraisers; funding and sponsoring library programs; returning materials to the shelves and more; and



WHEREAS,

the Fulton County Library System acknowledged 316 Friends volunteers during National Friends of Libraries Week 2023, including Friends volunteers celebrating as many as 30 years of service to the Library System, and countless other volunteers who served thousands of hours throughout the years; and



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there are currently 18 "Friends of the Library" groups throughout Fulton County, that provide significant support to the Library System by contributing over 434,719 lifetime volunteer hours as well as funds to enhance the important programs and services of the Fulton County Library



System; and

Library Friends volunteers have given selflessly of their time and talents to the Fulton County Library System, donating 14,683 hours in 2023, providing services worth \$406,132 and bringing the Friends volunteers' lifetime totals to 3,500 volunteers who have served a remarkable



434,719 volunteer hours;



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County recognizes the accomplishments and dedication of the individuals who donate their services to the Fulton County Library System, and does hereby proclaim Wednesday, October 18, 2023, as "FULTON COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARIES APPRECIATION DAY" in Fulton County, Georgia.



Fulton County Board of Commissioners

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