

1 A RESOLUTION TO AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 21-0277 CREATING AND
2 ESTABLISHING THE FULTON COUNTY REPARATIONS TASK FORCE TO
3 MODIFY THE NUMBER OF APPOINTEES ALLOWED BY EACH MEMBER OF
4 THE FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND TO DEFINE THE
5 QUORUM NEEDED FOR THE REPARATIONS TASK FORCE TO TRANSACT
6 BUSINESS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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8 **WHEREAS**, on April 14, 2021, the Fulton County Board of Commissioners
9 approved a Resolution (Agenda Item #21-0277) creating and establishing the
10 Fulton County Reparations Task Force (the "Reparations Task Force") to
11 research and explore the feasibility of slavery reparations for Blacks/African-
12 Americans who live in Fulton County, Georgia; and

13 **WHEREAS**, the Reparations Task Force serves as an advisory body to
14 the County and charged to investigate and provide recommendations to the
15 Board of Commissioners regarding priorities, objectives, and policies which will
16 support the revitalization, preservation, and stabilization of the Black/African-
17 American population in Fulton County in the form of reparations; and

18 **WHEREAS**, under Resolution No. 21-0277, the Reparations Task Force
19 shall have the following members: "Each Commissioner shall appoint one (1)
20 member. Each member shall be a resident of Fulton County at the time of the
21 appointment; and

22 **WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners desires more participation in the
23 Reparations Task Force and believes that adding more members to the
24 Reparations Task Force would help facilitate productive discussions on various
25 viewpoints, augment its researching capabilities, to enhance that
26 recommendations that the Reparations Task Force will provide to the Board of
27 Commissioners; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 21-0277 creating the Reparations Task Force
2 is silent on what constitutes a quorum for the Reparations Task Force to transact
3 business; and

4 **WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners seeks to clarify what constitutes
5 a quorum for the Reparations Task Force to conduct business; and

6 **WHEREAS**, Fulton County Code of Laws ("FCC") § 1-117 give the Board
7 of Commissioners exclusive authority over the affairs of the County.

8 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of
9 Commissioners of Fulton County hereby amends Resolution No. 21-0277
10 establishing the Reparations Task Force to provide that each Commissioner shall
11 appoint two (2) members, for a total of 14 members.

12 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Resolution No. 21-0277 is further
13 amended to provide that a quorum for the purposes of the Reparations Task
14 Force transacting business shall be a majority of members duly appointed by
15 Commissioners without regard to any vacancies or non-appointments by any
16 Commissioner.

17 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, except for amending the membership and
18 quorum provisions of Resolution 21-0277 establishing the Reparations Task
19 Force, all other provisions of Resolution 21-0277 shall remain unchanged.

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

23 **SO PASSED AND ADOPTED**, this 3rd day of August, 2022.

FULTON COUNTY BOARD
OF COMMISSIONERS

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