1 RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE INTENT OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF FULTON COUNTY REGARDING THE TERMINATION POWERS OF THE 2 3 FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS; AND FOR 4 OTHER PURPOSES. 5 WHEREAS, Fulton County Code of Ordinances, Part 1, §14-42, provides the 6 7 Board of Commissioners of Fulton County with the authority to appoint the Elections 8 Supervisor as recommended by the Fulton County Board of Registration & Elections 9 ("BRE"); and 10 WHEREAS, the BRE is currently responsible for the performance appraisals of the Elections Supervisor and determines the duties and responsibilities of the Elections 11 12 Supervisor; and 13 WHEREAS, the BRE has recommended removal of the Elections Supervisor to the Board of Commissioners; and 14 15 WHEREAS, the Fulton County Code regarding the Board of Elections and 16 Registration, as codified from 1989 Ga. Law, page 4577 et seg., is silent with respect to 17 the termination of the election supervisor; and 18 WHEREAS, as the body charged with ensuring that the Elections Supervisor is fulfilling the requirements of his/her office, the citizens of Fulton County are best served 19 20 by granting the BRE with the sole authority to discipline, sanction or terminate the 21 Elections Supervisor as may be necessary; and 22 WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners recognizes the inherent conflict of 23 interest and damaging impact to election integrity of having the Board of Commissioners

engaged in the discipline, sanction or termination of the Election Supervisor; and

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1	WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County fully supports Fulton
2	County working on and putting in place to grant the BRE with the sole authority to
3	discipline, sanction or terminate the Elections Supervisor without further approval by the
4	Board of Commissioners, so as to best support the independence of the BRE in fulfilling
5	its duties under the law.
6	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of
7	Fulton County hereby expresses its desire and intent that the Board of Registration and
8	Elections should be vested with the sole discretion to terminate or remove the Elections
9	Supervisor of Fulton County.
10	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners will begin the
11	process of codifying such changes in the law as necessary or appropriate to effectuate
12	the intents and purposes of this Resolution.
13	BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective when
14	passed and adopted, and that all resolutions and parts of resolutions in conflict with this
15	Resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict.
16	PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County
17	Georgia this day of March, 2021.
18	SPONSORED BY:
19 20 21	Bob Ellis, Commissioner District 2
22	ATTEST:
23 24 25 26	Tonya R. Grier, Clerk to the Commission

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Kaye Woodard Burwell, Acting County Attorney
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