

STATE OF GEORGIA

COUNTY OF CLAYTON

RESOLUTION NO. 2024- 236

A RESOLUTION BY THE CLAYTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS IDENTIFYING CERTAIN REVISIONS TO THE CODE OF ETHICS TO BE ADDRESSED DURING THE 2025-2026 LEGISLATIVE SESSION OF THE GEORGIA GENERAL ASSEMBLY; TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO PERFORM ALL ACTS NECESSARY TO ACCOMPLISH THE INTENT OF THIS RESOLUTION; TO AUTHORIZE THE CHIEF STAFF ATTORNEY TO SEND A LIST OF ISSUES CONCERNING HB 1444 (2024) TO THE COUNTY'S LOBBYISTS AND THE CLAYTON COUNTY LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION FOR ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATION PRIOR TO PASSAGE OF ANY AMENDMENTS; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS RESOLUTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, pursuant to HB 1444 (2024), the General Assembly determined that it is essential to the proper administration and operation of the Clayton County government that its officials and employees be, and give the appearance of being, independent and impartial, that public office not be used for private gain, and that there be public confidence in the integrity of Clayton County officials and employees; and

WHEREAS, the attainment of one or more of these ends is impaired whenever there exists in fact, or appears to exist, a conflict between the private interests and public responsibilities of officials and employees; and

WHEREAS, the public interest requires that there is protection against such conflicts of interest by the establishment by law of appropriate ethical standards with respect to the conduct of the officials and employees of Clayton County in situations where a conflict may exist; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF CLAYTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED

Section 1. The Board of Commissioners hereby identifies the modification of the Code of Ethics enacted through HB 1444 (2024) as a matter of particular interest to Clayton County. The Board also authorizes and directs that any and all lobbyists employed by the County prepare and present the removal of the subject language identified in the WHEREAS clauses above to the 2025-2026 Legislative Session of the Georgia General Assembly as such will be in the best interests of the County. The Board authorizes the Chairman to perform all acts necessary to accomplish the intent of this Resolution. The Board further authorizes the Chief Staff Attorney to present a list of issues concerning HB 1444 (2024) to the County's lobbyists and the Clayton County Legislative Delegation for additional consideration prior to passage of any amendments.

Section 2. This Resolution shall be effective on the date of its approval by the Board of Commissioners.

SO RESOLVED, this 1st day of October, 2024.


CLAYTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



JEFFREY E. TURNER, CHAIRMAN



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DISTRICT 3 COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:



COURTNEY RUSHIN, CLERK