## STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF CLAYTON

## RESOLUTION NO. 2016 - 99

A RESOLUTION BY THE CLAYTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ESTABLISHING THE CLAYTON COUNTY VETERANS' ADVISORY BOARD; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS RESOLUTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Clayton County Board of Commissioners advocates public participation and supports and encourages citizen involvement in matters of County government; and

WHEREAS, the Clayton County Board of Commissioners recognizes a need within Clayton County to address the needs of local veterans, particularly indigent veterans; and

WHEREAS, the Clayton County Board of Commissioners wants to establish a veterans' advisory board for the purpose of advising the Board of Commissioners on the needs of local veterans, the resources available to local veterans, and programs that could benefit local veterans and their families; and

WHEREAS, the Clayton County Board of Commissioners desires to establish the qualifications for membership, membership composition, and membership terms of the veterans' advisory board; and

WHEREAS, the Clayton County Board of Commissioners wishes to establish the deadlines for appointments to and the composition of bylaws for the veterans' advisory board; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners deems it in the best interest of Clayton County, and the County will best be served by establishing a Clayton County Veterans' Advisory Board as contemplated herein.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

## OF CLAYTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED

Section 1. The Clayton County Board of Commissioners hereby establishes the Clayton County Veterans' Advisory Board. The purpose of the Clayton County Veterans' Advisory Board is to advise the Clayton County Board of Commissioners on the needs of local indigent veterans, the resources available to local indigent veterans, and programs that could benefit local indigent veterans and their families.

Section 2. Qualifications of the Clayton County Veterans' Advisory Board Members. The Clayton County Veterans' Advisory Board shall be comprised entirely of veterans who are residents of Clayton County.

Section 3. Composition of the Clayton County Veterans' Advisory Board. The Clayton County Veterans' Advisory Board will be composed of a maximum of seven (7) members.

Appointment. The Chairman shall appoint three (3) members to the Veterans' Advisory Board. Each district commissioner shall appoint one (1) member to the Veterans' Advisory Board.

Vacancies. Vacancies shall be filled by the appointing commissioner for the unexpired term of the original appointment.

Removal. Veterans' Advisory Board Members serve at the pleasure of the Clayton County Board of Commissioners and may be removed by a majority vote of the Board of Commissioners. If a Veterans' Advisory Board Member misses two (2) or more consecutive meetings without adequate excuse, the Veterans' Advisory Board may after majority vote request removal of that member by the Board of Commissioners.

Section 4. Terms of the Clayton County Veterans' Advisory Board Members.

Appointments shall be for four (4) year terms. Except that for the initial appointments the Chairman's three appointees shall serve be for two (2) year terms; to stagger the terms of

board members. There are no limits on how many terms a member may be reappointed to the Veterans' Advisory Board.

Section 5. Meetings of the Clayton County Veterans' Advisory Board. The Veterans' Advisory Board shall meet at least once monthly at a place, within Clayton County, and time designated by the Veterans' Advisory Board. The Veterans' Advisory Board shall be subject to the Georgia Open Meetings Act and shall act accordingly. The Clayton County Human Resources Department will provide administrative support to the Veterans' Advisory Board. There shall be no compensation for membership on the Veterans' Advisory Board.

Section 6. The Members of the Clayton County Board of Commissioners shall make their appointments to the Veterans' Advisory Board within forty-five (45) days of adoption of this Resolution.

Section 7. The Clayton County Veterans' Advisory Board shall develop bylaws, consistent with this Resolution, that govern the conduct, meetings, and activities of the Veterans' Advisory Board. The bylaws shall be completed within sixty (60) days of the appointment of the Veterans' Advisory Board members.

Section 8. This Resolution shall be effective on the date of its approval by the Board of Commissioners.

SO RESOLVED, this the 17th day of May, 2016.

[signatures on the following page]

CLAYTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
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