STATE OF GEORGIA

COUNTY OF CLAYTON

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-22

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF CLAYTON COUNTY, GEORGIA, AS AMENDED, SPECIFICALLY, CHAPTER 42 “FIRE PROTECTION AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES”, ARTICLE II “FIRE PREVENTION CODE”, SECTION 42-31.1 “ADOPTION; COMPLIANCE”, TO REFLECT THE CURRENT CLAYTON COUNTY FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES REGULATIONS; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING LAWS, ORDINANCES, AND RESOLUTIONS; TO PROVIDE SEVERABILITY; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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

Section 1. The Code of Clayton County, Georgia, as amended, is hereby further amended by amending Chapter 42, “Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services”, Article II “Fire Prevention Code”, Sec. 42-31.1 “Adoption; Compliance,” subsections (a), (b) and (c) to reflect the current Clayton County Fire and Emergency Services regulations, which shall read as follows:

Sec. 42-31.1 Adoption; Compliance.

(a) Except where such general provisions may otherwise conflict with specific provisions contained within the County Code of Ordinances, the International Fire Code, 2018 Edition, including Appendix Chapters A, B, C, D, E, F and G, with Georgia Amendments as published by the Southern Building Code Congress International, Inc., and all amendments thereto, are hereby adopted by reference thereto, and incorporated herein as part of the County Code of Ordinances. Accordingly, except where such general construction requirements may otherwise conflict with specific construction requirements contained within the County Code of Ordinances, all building structures or portions thereof constructed after February 1, 2007, shall be constructed and otherwise conform in all respects to the minimum

(b) In addition to the Standard [International] Fire Prevention Code, NFPA 101 Life Safety Code, 2018 edition, with State of Georgia Fire Marshal’s Office’s amendments, and all amendments thereto, are hereby adopted by reference thereto and incorporated herein as part of the County Code of Ordinances. Accordingly, except where such general construction requirements may otherwise conflict with specific construction requirements contained within the County Code of Ordinances, all building structures or portions thereof constructed after October 22, 2003, shall be constructed and otherwise conform in all respects to the minimum standards set forth in the NFPA 101 Life Safety Code, 2018 edition, with State of Georgia Fire Marshal’s Office’s amendments.

(c) If provisions of the state minimum fire safety standards, International Fire Code, 2018 Edition, including Appendix Chapters B, C, D, E, F, and G, with Georgia amendments, the NFPA 101 Life Safety Code, 2018 edition, with State of Georgia Fire Marshal’s Office’s amendments, or the county building code conflict or differ in application, those provisions which are deemed by the chief of the county fire and emergency services department as the strictest shall take precedence and be enforced.

Section 2. All laws, ordinances and resolutions, or parts thereof, which conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 3. If this Ordinance in whole or in part is determined to be unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect the remainder of this enactment, and such remainder shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its approval by the Board of Commissioners.
SO ORDAINED, this the 4th day of February, 2020.

CLAYTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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