

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE CEO TO APPOINT A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEKALB SCHOOL SYSTEM TO THE DECIDE DEKALB BOARD

WHEREAS, the "Decide DeKalb" Development Authority (the "Authority") is entrusted with promoting economic growth and development within DeKalb County; and

WHEREAS, the DeKalb County School System plays a vital role in preparing the future workforce, fostering community development, and ensuring a high quality of life in DeKalb County; and

WHEREAS, the decisions and actions of the Authority, including but not limited to tax abatements and other fiscal incentives to attract and retain businesses, can have significant implications for the fiscal health of the DeKalb County School System, potentially affecting its ability to provide high-quality education and services to the students and families of DeKalb County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners believes that the input and perspective of the DeKalb County School System are critical in major decision-making processes of the Authority, to ensure that such decisions fully consider and mitigate potential impacts on the School System; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners believes that a closer collaboration between the DeKalb County School System and the Authority can lead to more effective and holistic economic development strategies; and

WHEREAS, the DeKalb County School System (DCSD), and Decide DeKalb Board members have requested on several occasions since his term of office, that the DeKalb CEO appoint a representative from DCSD.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of DeKalb County, Georgia, does hereby request that the DeKalb County Chief Executive Officer:

1. Work with the DeKalb County School System to identify a suitable representative who can serve on the Board of Directors of the "Decide DeKalb" Development Authority;
2. Make an official appointment of a representative from the DeKalb County School System to the Board of Directors of the "Decide DeKalb" Development Authority, in accordance with the appointment procedures and qualifications established by law and the bylaws of the Authority;
3. Ensure that this representative has the necessary resources and support to effectively fulfill their duties and responsibilities on the Board of Directors of the "Decide DeKalb" Development Authority, including providing input on decisions that could impact the fiscal health of the School System.

This resolution shall be effective on the date of its adoption.

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ADOPTED by the DeKalb County Board of Commissioners, this ____ day of _____, 2023.

ROBERT PATRICK
Presiding Officer
Board of Commissioners
DeKalb County, Georgia

APPROVED by the Chief Executive Officer, this ____ day of _____, 2023.

MICHAEL L. THURMOND
Chief Executive Officer
DeKalb County, Georgia

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

BARBARA H. SANDERS-NORWOOD, CCC
County Clerk
Board of Commissioners and
Chief Executive Officer

VIVIANE H. ERNSTES
County Attorney
DeKalb County, Georgia