

**A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF DEKALB COUNTY,
GEORGIA TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR THE SELECTION OF VOTING
DELEGATES TO REPRESENT DEKALB COUNTY IN ASSOCIATION AND
ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS**

WHEREAS, The Association of County Commissioners of Georgia (“ACCG”) and the National Association of Counties (“NACo”) have procedures whereby member counties are permitted to vote on certain matters, with said votes to be cast by designated voting delegates; and

WHEREAS, ACCG’s procedures provide that the governing authority of each member county is allowed one vote, to be made by a voting delegate, on policy agendas and related legislative and policy matters; and

WHEREAS, NACo’s procedures provide that member counties cast votes, through designated voting delegates, on proposed amendments to association bylaws, NACo’s policy agenda, and the election of NACo officers; and

WHEREAS, Other organizations, associations, or governing bodies in which DeKalb County participates may similarly require the designation of a voting delegate to represent the County’s interests; and

WHEREAS, The Governing Authority of DeKalb County, Georgia recognizes the importance of ensuring a transparent and consistent process for the selection of voting delegates to represent DeKalb County in such organizations; and

WHEREAS, The Governing Authority desires to formalize a procedure for designating voting delegates in a manner that reflects the collective will of the Board of Commissioners.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

That the Governing Authority of DeKalb County, Georgia hereby establishes the following process for the selection of voting delegates:

1. Applicability – This process shall apply to the selection of voting delegates for ACCG, NACo, and any other entity requiring an official voting delegate to represent DeKalb County.
2. Nomination – Any member of the Board of Commissioners may nominate a member of the Governing Authority to serve as the County’s voting delegate for a specified organization or event requiring such representation.
3. Selection – The voting delegate shall be selected by a majority vote of the Board of Commissioners during a duly noticed business meeting held at least thirty (30) days prior to the date on which the voting delegate is required to serve.
4. Alternates – The Board of Commissioners may, at its discretion, also designate an alternate delegate to serve in the absence of the primary voting delegate.

5. Certification – Upon selection, the Clerk to the Chief Executive Officer and Board of Commissioners shall certify the name of the designated voting delegate (and alternate, if applicable) to the relevant organization.
6. Duration – The designation of a voting delegate shall remain in effect solely for the specific meeting, vote or event for which that the delegate was appointed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,

That this process shall govern all future designations of voting delegates to external organizations requiring official representation from DeKalb County.

ADOPTED by the DeKalb County Board of Commissioners, this ____ day of _____, 2025.

MICHELLE LONG SPEARS
Presiding Officer
Board of Commissioners
DeKalb County, Georgia

APPROVED by the Chief Executive Officer of DeKalb County, this ____ day of _____, 2025.

LORRAINE COCHRAN-JOHNSON
Chief Executive Officer
DeKalb County, Georgia

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Barbara Sanders-Norwood
Clerk to the Chief Executive Officer and
Board of Commissioners

William J. Linkous, III
DeKalb County Attorney