

# **DeKalb County Government**

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# Agenda Item SUBSTITUTE

File #: 2023-0999 8/22/2023

File Status: Approval Review

**Public Hearing: YES** □ **NO** ☑ **Department:** Board of Commissioners - District 6

# **SUBJECT:**

Commission District(s): All Commission Districts

To Create a "Wildflower and Beautification Fund Supporting the Georgia Department of Transportation's (GDOT) DeKalb County Wildflower Program Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) Agenda Item 2023-0998 in District 6 Area Locations and Allocate a Total of \$10,000 in District 6 Reserve for Appropriations to the Fund.

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#### **PURPOSE:**

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### **NEED/IMPACT:**

DeKalb County is committed to protecting our eco-system and understands the importance of providing habitat for pollinators. Pollinator decline is attributed urbanizations and use of pesticides. A "Wildflower and Beautification Fund" and District 6 2023 Reserve for Appropriations will allow for the Georgia Department of Transportation to begin their work under the MOA and begin planting in November 2023 and would encourage other districts to invest in this important initiative.

This not only beautifies public landscapes with wildflowers but also provides crucial pollinator habitat. These wildflowers will sustain and protect pollinators, which are crucial to Georgia's ecosystem and ensure a healthy agricultural system.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase appropriations for the following account by the amount indicated below:

Non-Departmental - Unincorporated Fund - Transfer to Grant Fund (09130.611250.272.0000.0000)

\$10,000.00 Decrease appropriations for the following account by the amount indicated below:

Non-Departmental - Unincorporated Fund - Reserve for Appropriation (09130.579002.272.0000.0000) \$10,000.000

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

To approve creating a "Wildflower and Beautification Fund" supporting the Georgia Department of Transportation's (GDOT) DeKalb County Wildflower Program Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) Agenda Item 2023-0998 in District 6 Area Locations and allocate a total of \$10,000 in District 6 Reserve for Appropriations to the Fund.