

**A RESOLUTION BY THE DEKALB COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS IN SUPPORT OF THE WRITERS GUILD OF AMERICA AND SCREEN ACTORS GUILD STRIKES**

WHEREAS, the writers, represented by the Writers Guild of America (WGA), and actors, represented by the Screen Actors Guild (SAG), have declared strikes to secure fair wages, equitable treatment, and better working conditions; and

WHEREAS, Dekalb County is a significant location for film and television production studios, thereby making the local economy intricately linked to the well-being of the entertainment industry; and

WHEREAS, the continuing strikes are having a negative impact on Dekalb County's local economy, including job losses and decreased economic activity; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of Dekalb County for Hollywood producers to come to the negotiating table with the unions to resolve the issues promptly; and

WHEREAS, Dekalb County values the arts and recognizes the significant contributions of writers and actors to the entertainment industry and broader culture; and

WHEREAS, both strikes are lawful exercises of the right to collective bargaining and are undertaken with the goal of ensuring equitable working conditions and sustainable careers for writers and actors; and

WHEREAS, the fair treatment of writers and actors and their contributions to society are integral to the dissemination of stories that shape our cultural understanding; and

WHEREAS, the Dekalb County Board of Commissioners seeks to express solidarity with those engaged in lawful industrial actions aimed at improving labor conditions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Dekalb County Board of Commissioners hereby supports the Writers Guild of America strike and the Screen Actors Guild strike and calls upon the stakeholders involved to address the grievances and demands of the striking writers and actors in a fair and expedient manner.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Writers Guild of America, the Screen Actors Guild, local media outlets, and other interested parties.

**ADOPTED** by the DeKalb County Board of Commissioners, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

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**ROBERT PATRICK**  
Presiding Officer  
Board of Commissioners  
DeKalb County, Georgia

**APPROVED** by the Chief Executive Officer, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

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**MICHAEL L. THURMOND**  
Chief Executive Officer  
DeKalb County, Georgia

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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

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**VIVIANE H. ERNSTES**  
County Attorney  
DeKalb County, Georgia