

**CONCURRENT RESOLUTION OF THE FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE ATLANTA BOARD OF EDUCATION CALLING FOR A REFERENDUM TO DETERMINE WHETHER TO IMPOSE A SPECIAL ONE PERCENT SALES AND USE TAX WITHIN FULTON COUNTY FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES:**

**WHEREAS**, the voters of the State of Georgia on November 5, 1996 ratified an amendment to the Georgia Constitution authorizing the boards of education of county school districts and independent school districts to impose, levy and collect a special 1 percent sales and use tax for certain educational purposes, subject to approval in a local referendum; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education of Fulton County (the "Fulton County Board of Education") and the Atlanta Board of Education (the "Atlanta Board of Education") have determined that the most feasible means of funding certain expenditures for educational purposes within their respective school systems is by imposing, levying and collecting a special 1 percent sales and use tax within Fulton County as authorized by law; and

**WHEREAS**, the net proceeds of the special 1 percent sales and use tax shall be distributed between the Fulton County School System and the Atlanta Independent School System on the basis of the latest FTE count prior to the referendum on imposing the tax;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Fulton County Board of Education and the Atlanta Board of Education, as follows:

1. Subject to approval by a majority of the qualified voters of Fulton County at the referendum provided for herein, a special 1 percent sales and use tax shall be imposed, levied and collected within Fulton County, the net proceeds of which shall be distributed between the Fulton County School System and the Atlanta Independent School System on the basis of the latest FTE count prior to the referendum provided for herein.

2. The proceeds of the tax shall be used for capital outlay projects for educational purposes and for the retirement of general obligation debt previously incurred in connection with capital outlay projects of the two school systems, all as specifically described below.

3. The Fulton County Board of Education shall apply a maximum of \$428,900,000 of the tax proceeds to the following capital outlay projects to be undertaken in accordance with the priorities established in its current five-year facilities plan:

- Acquiring land for, constructing and equipping seventeen (17) new schools or equivalent capacity to accommodate increased student enrollment in North and South Fulton County.
- Adding to and renovating the following thirteen (13) schools to expand instructional facilities:

Etris Rd. Site Elem.  
Sch. (Special Education)

Tri-Cities High Sch.  
Bear Creek Middle Sch.

Evoline C. West Elem. Sch.	Ronald E. McNair Mid. Sch.
Camp Creek Middle Sch.	Sandy Springs Middle Sch.
Crabapple Middle Sch.	Taylor Road Middle Sch.
Haynes Bridge Middle Sch.	Paul D. West Middle Sch.
Holcomb Bridge Middle Sch.	Woodland Middle Sch.

- Upgrading buildings and making critical infrastructure improvements to the following facilities (for example, roofing, plumbing, HVAC, A.D.A. renovations, school safety, classroom additions, and technology, as needed):

Alpharetta Elem. Sch.	North Springs High Sch.
Benjamin Banneker High Sch.	Oak Knoll Elem. Sch.
Barnwell Elem. Sch.	Palmetto Elem. Sch.
Bear Creek Middle Sch.	Parklane Elem. Sch.
Mary M. Bethune Elem. Sch.	A. Philip Randolph Elem. Sch.
Brookview Elem. Sch.	Roswell North Elem. Sch.
Camp Creek Middle Sch.	Sandy Springs Middle Sch.
Chattahoochee High Sch.	Taylor Road Middle Sch.
College Park Elem. Sch.	Tri-Cities High Sch.
Conley Hills Elem. Sch.	Harriet Tubman Elem. Sch.
Crabapple Middle Sch.	Evoline C. West Elem. Sch.
Crabapple Crsg. Elem. Sch.	Paul D. West Middle Sch.
Dolvin Elem. Sch.	Woodland Elem. Sch.
Esther Jackson Elem. Sch.	Woodland Middle Sch.
C.H. Gullatt Elem. Sch.	Westlake High Sch.
Hapeville Elem. Sch.	Brookview Elem. Sch.
High Point Elem. Sch.	S.L. Lewis Elem. Sch.
Holcomb Bridge Middle Sch.	Findley Oaks Elem. Sch.
Lake Windward Elem. Sch.	Ridgeview Middle Sch.
Seaborn Lee Elem. Sch.	Frank McClarin High Sch.
Ronald E. McNair Mid. Sch.	Jo Wells Education Center
Medlock Bridge Elem. Sch.	Meadows Operations Center
Milton High Sch.	Services Building
Mimosa Elem. Sch.	Staff Development, South
Mount Olive Elem. Sch.	Transportation, South
Mountain Park Elem. Sch.	
Love T. Nolan Elem. Sch.	

- Acquiring land for, constructing and equipping a new joint-use staff development/maintenance facility and a new transportation facility in North Fulton County.
- Acquiring land for future school construction.

4. The Fulton County Board of Education shall apply a maximum of \$61,100,000 of the tax proceeds to retire outstanding general obligation debt evidenced by Fulton County School District General Obligation Bonds, Series 1991 and Series 1993, maturing in the years 1998 through 2007.

5. The Atlanta Board of Education shall apply a maximum of \$309,000,000 of the tax proceeds to the following capital outlay projects:

- **Construction and equipping of two new schools:**

Fowler Street Elementary  
Slaton/West Elementary

- **Additions and program-driven renovations and modifications to expand or renovate instructional facilities, in accordance with the priorities established in the school system's current five-year facilities plan. (For example, this includes construction of new classrooms, media centers, multi-purpose facilities, and other renovations.)**

Adamsville	Howell*	Towns
Anderson Park	Hubert	Turner MS
Arkwright	Humphries*	Usher
Beecher Hills	Jones, M.A.	Venetian
Benteen*	Kimberly*	Walden
Bethune	Kennedy MS	Waters*
Blalock	King MS	West Fulton
Brown MS	Lakewood*	West Manor*
Boyd	Marshall	White
Bunche MS	Mays HS	Woodson
Campbell	McGill	Young
Carver HS	Miles	
Coan MS	Mitchell	
Collier Heights	Morningside	
Connally*	Peyton Forest*	
Cook*	Pitts*	
Dobbs*	Price MS	
Douglass HS	Rivers*	
Drew*	Oglethorpe	
Dunbar*	Rusk	
Fain*	Scott	
Garden Hills*	Slater	
Gideons*	Smith	
Grove Park	S. Atlanta HS	
Guice*	Stanton, D.H.	
Harper-Archer HS	Stanton, F.L.*	
Herndon	Sutton	
Hill, C.W.	Thomasville	
Hope	Toomer	

\* Schools that have completed lease purchase building additions but which still need further significant renovations.

- **Land acquisition for future use for instructional facilities.**

Upgrading buildings and making critical infrastructure improvements to address deferred needs. (For example: A.D.A. renovations, technology, school safety, roofing, flooring, HVAC, kitchen/refrigeration, energy management systems, electrical systems, security lighting, plumbing, carpentry, grounds/pavement, electronics.)

Elementary Schools

Adamsville  
 Anderson Park  
 Arkwright  
 Beecher Hills  
 Benteen  
 Bethune  
 Blalock  
 Boyd  
 Brandon  
 Burgess  
 Campbell  
 Capitol View  
 Cascade  
 Cleveland  
 Collier  
 Connally  
 Continental Colony  
 Cook  
 Dobbs  
 Drew  
 Dunbar  
 East Lake  
 Fain  
 Fickett  
 Garden Hills  
 Gideons  
 Grove Park  
 Guice  
 Herndon  
 Hill  
 Hope  
 Howell, Minnie  
 Hubert  
 Humphries  
 Hutchinson  
 Jackson  
 Jones, M.A.  
 Kimberly  
 Lakewood  
 Lin  
 McGill  
 Miles  
 Mitchell  
 Morningside  
 Oglethorpe  
 Perkerson  
 Peterson

Elem. Schools (continued)

Peyton Forest  
 Pitts  
 Ragsdale  
 Rivers  
 Rusk  
 Scott  
 Slater  
 Smith  
 Stanton, D.H.  
 Stanton, F.L.  
 Thomasville Hts.  
 Toomer  
 Towns  
 Venetian Hills  
 Waters, Tull  
 West Manor  
 White, Walter  
 Whitefoord  
 Williams, A.D.  
 Woodson

Middle Schools

Brown (facility)  
 Bunche  
 Coan  
 Inman  
 Kennedy  
 King  
 Long  
 Marshall  
 Parks  
 Price  
 Sutton  
 Sylvan  
 Turner  
 Usher  
 Walden  
 West Fulton  
 Young

High Schools

Carver  
 Crim  
 Douglas  
 Grady  
 Harper-Archer  
 Mays

High Schools (continued)

North Atlanta  
South Atlanta  
Southside  
Therrell  
Washington

Additional School  
Facilities (continued)

Instructional Service Ctr.  
Service Center  
Transport Facilities  
Tuxedo Center  
Youth Services Center

Additional School  
Facilities

Howard Building  
Facilities Maintenance

- **Payment of lease purchase financial expenditures to complete purchase of newly constructed additions to the following schools:**

Benteen  
Brandon  
Burgess  
Campbell Media Ctr.  
Capitol View  
Connally  
Continental Colony  
Cook  
Dobbs  
Drew  
Dunbar  
East Lake  
Fickett  
Garden Hills  
Gideons  
Guice  
Hope  
Howell  
Humphries  
Hutchinson  
Inman Middle School

Jackson  
Kimberly  
Lakewood  
Lin  
Long  
Morningside  
Perkerson  
Peterson  
Peyton Forest  
Pitts  
Ragsdale  
Rivers  
Smith  
Stanton, F.L.  
Sutton Middle School  
Waters  
West Manor  
Whitefoord  
Williams

6. The Atlanta Board of Education shall apply a maximum of \$141,000,000 of the tax proceeds to retire general obligation debt, specifically:

- **The Atlanta Independent School System (through the City of Atlanta) shall apply a maximum of \$96,000,000 of the tax proceeds to retire outstanding general obligation debt specifically identified as General Obligation Bonds, Series 1993, maturing in the year 2018.**
- **The Atlanta Independent School System (through the City of Atlanta) shall apply a maximum of \$45,000,000 of the tax proceeds to retire general obligation debt specifically identified as Various Purpose General Obligation Bonds, Series 1989 refunding issue, Series 1991, Series 1992, Series 1993 and refunding issue, Series 1994, Series 1995, and Series 1996.**

7. The maximum amount of net proceeds to be raised by the special 1 percent sales and use tax for the educational purposes described above shall be \$940,000,000.

8. Such special 1 percent sales and use tax shall be imposed for a period of time not to exceed 20 consecutive calendar quarters, beginning July 1, 1997.

9. The Fulton County Board of Education and the Atlanta Board of Education hereby call, and hereby request that the Board of Elections of Fulton County call, a special election to be held in all voting precincts in Fulton County on the 18th day of March, 1997, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of Fulton County the question of whether a special 1 percent sales and use tax shall be imposed, levied and collected within Fulton County for the educational purposes set forth above.

10. The polls of each election district in Fulton County shall open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m. The election shall be held in accordance with the election laws of the State of Georgia, and the returns of said election shall be made to the Fulton County Board of Education and the Atlanta Board of Education, and to the Chairman of the Board of Elections of Fulton County, who shall, in the presence of and together with the several managers of the polls who shall bring up the returns, consolidate the returns and declare the result of the election in the manner required by law.

11. The ballot to be used in such election shall have written or printed thereon substantially the following language or such other language as may be required by law:

- ( ) YES      Shall a special 1 percent sales and use tax for educational purposes be imposed in Fulton County for not longer than 20 calendar quarters, beginning July 1, 1997, for the raising of not more than \$940,000,000 to be used as follows: \$428,900,000 for the Fulton County School System and \$309,000,000 for the City of Atlanta School System for new schools and facilities, school renovations and additions, building upgrades and critical infrastructure improvements, technology, lease purchase payments, and land acquisition; and not more than \$61,100,000 for the Fulton County School System and \$141,000,000 for the City of Atlanta School System for the retirement of previously incurred debt, all as more specifically described in the published notice of election?
- ( ) NO

12. There is hereby authorized and directed to be published notice of said election as required by law in the newspaper in which Sheriff's advertisements for Fulton County are published,

once a week for five weeks immediately preceding the date of the election. Such notice shall be in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit "A," and, by this reference thereto, made a part hereof.

13. The Secretary of the Fulton County Board of Education and the Assistant to the Board of the Atlanta Board of Education are hereby authorized and directed to deliver a copy of this resolution to the Board of Elections of Fulton County with a request that the Board of Elections order the call of this election.

14. The proper officers and agents of the Fulton County Board of Education and the Atlanta Board of Education are hereby authorized to take any and all further actions as may be required in connection with the imposition of such special 1 percent sales and use tax.

15. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

**BOARD OF EDUCATION OF FULTON  
COUNTY**

Attest:

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Secretary

\_\_\_\_\_  
President

**ATLANTA BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Attest:

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Assistant to the Board

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President