## STATE OF GEORGIA

## COUNTY OF CLAYTON

## RESOLUTION NO. 2009 - 130

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CLAYTON COUNTY TO ACCEPT A DONATION OF AN OAK TREE ON BEHALF OF CLAYTON COUNTY AND AUTHORIZE IT TO BE PLANTED ON THE GROUNDS OF THE CLAYTON COUNTY HISTORIC COURTHOUSE IN HONOR AND MEMORY OF SENATOR TERRELL STARR; TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO ACCEPT THE DONATION ON BEHALF OF CLAYTON COUNTY AND TO EXECUTE ANY DOCUMENTS NECESSARY, AND OTHERWISE PERFORM ALL ACTS NECESSARY TO ACCOMPLISH THE INTENT OF THIS RESOLUTION; TO AUTHORIZE THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO AMEND THE BUDGET WHERE NECESSARY TO REFLECT AN APPROPRIATE REVENUE SOURCE AND EXPENSE, ALL AS MAY BE REQUIRED; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS RESOLUTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Senator Terrell Starr served as a Georgia State Senator for 38 years and as a Clayton County Commissioner for 8 years; and

WHEREAS, Terrell Starr was instrumental in keeping local development funds in the state budget as Chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee for a number of years; and

WHEREAS, Senator Starr fought, many times behind the scenes, to enhance the quality of life for county citizens through the funding of parks and recreation; and

WHEREAS, He was able to contribute to preservation and conservation by serving as a member of the Natural Resources and Environmental Committees in the Senate; and

WHEREAS, this humble man was recognized for his contributions by having a park in Forest Park named after him, as well as the Terrell Starr Human Services Center in Jonesboro; and

WHEREAS, his contributions as a "champion for education improvements" have been recognized by former governors of this state; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that an oak tree be planted on the grounds of the Clayton County Historic Courthouse in honor and memory of his faithful service; and

WHEREAS, a donor who wishes to remain anonymous has agreed to donate a 20 – 25 foot tall oak tree at no expense to the county; and

WHEREAS, the donation does not require a match of funds from the County; and WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners deems it in the best interest of the County and the County will best be served by the acceptance of the donation for the stated purpose.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF CLAYTON COUNTY, GEORGIA AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED

Section 1. The Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes Clayton County to accept a donation of a 20-25 foot tall oak tree and further authorizes the planting of the oak tree on the grounds of the Clayton County Historic Courthouse in a location generally in an area parallel to the front entrance of the historic courthouse. The Board further authorizes the installation of a memorial headstone that will be situated in front of the tree. The Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Chairman to execute any documents necessary, and otherwise perform all acts necessary to accomplish the intent of this Resolution. Further, the Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Director of Finance to amend the budget

where necessary to reflect an appropriate revenue source and expense, all as may be required.

Section 2. This Resolution shall be effective on the date of its approval by the Board of Commissioners.

SO RESOLVED, this the 18th of dugust 2009.

CLAYTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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Thelay D. Haywood, CLERK