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A RESOLUTION

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A Resolution stating the City of Atlanta's **Opposition** to the creation of the Atlanta Park District; the creation of an Atlanta Park District Authority; and for other purposes

Whereas, a Bill may be introduced into the 2004 Georgia General Assembly which would create the Atlanta Park District and an Atlanta Park District Authority; and

Whereas, said legislation provides for the membership, appointments, etc. of the members of the Authority; and

Whereas, said Authority is to consist of nine (9) members; with five (5) to be appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Atlanta City Council; one member to be appointed by the President of Council, one (1) to be appointed by the Governor, one by the Lieutenant Governor, and one (1) by the Speaker of the House; and

Whereas, the Authority will have the authority to acquire, hold and dispose of real property, execute contracts, the management of projects, etc.; and

Whereas, this Bill would provide for the issuance of revenue bonds and other evidences of debt; and

Whereas, the Atlanta City Council is the elected governing body of the City of Atlanta and the Mayor is the Chief Executive Officer; and

Whereas, the authority to set policy, and implement such policy is the responsibility of the Council and Mayor, respectively; and

Whereas, such authority should not be delegated to a separate body.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA as follows:

Section 1: That the City of Atlanta hereby opposes the creation of an Atlanta Park District Authority.

Section 2: That the Municipal Clerk is hereby directed to forward copies of this resolution to the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, and all members of the 2004 Georgia General Assembly.