

STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF FULTON

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING AND REQUESTING THE INTRODUCTION OF LEGISLATION INTO THE 2006 GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO FACILITATE THE ABILITY OF PRIVATE SECTOR BUSINESS TO CARRY MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY AND SALES TAX EXEMPT STATUS WHEN PRIVATE SECTOR BUSINESSES ARE ENGAGED TO PROVIDE PUBLIC SECTOR SERVICES ON BEHALF OF GOVERNMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the City of Sandy Springs is committed to maintaining high level services through the use of partnerships with private companies; and

WHEREAS, based upon current state law, it is unclear whether private sector businesses have the ability to claim sovereign immunity when performing on behalf of governments; and

WHEREAS, private sector businesses do not have the ability to purchase goods without paying sales tax when the purchase is on behalf of a Georgia government; and

WHEREAS, such restrictions within the current law prevent governments from providing the level of savings possible through the engagement of private sector businesses.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THIS COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANDY SPRINGS, GEORGIA, AND IT IS RESOLVED BY THE AUTHORITY OF SAID CITY COUNCIL.

By passage of this resolution, the City of Sandy Springs Mayor and City Council authorizes the City Attorney to introduce legislation into the 2006 Georgia General Assembly to create the ability for private companies performing services on behalf of governments to ensure protection under the government's sovereign immunity and to purchase goods without paying sales tax.

RESOLVED this 17th day of January, 2006.

Approved:


Eva Galambos, Mayor

Attest:


Jeanette R. Marchiafava, City Clerk

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