



**A RESOLUTION BY
COUNCILMEMBER C.T. MARTIN**

**A RESOLUTION TO EXPRESS THE INTENT OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA THAT
THE NEW FULTON COUNTY CENTRAL LIBRARY BE CONSTRUCTED IN
DOWNTOWN ATLANTA; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS, the Central Library was opened to the public under the leadership of Ella Gaines Yates, the first African-American Director of the library system, and was dedicated on May 25, 1980; and

WHEREAS, in 2002, a major renovation of the Central Library was completed and the library system celebrated the centennial of the year in which public library service in Atlanta began; and

WHEREAS, on November 4, 2008, Fulton County voters approved a \$275,375,000.00 bond referendum to implement the Library Facility Master Plan, to be accomplished in two phases; and

WHEREAS, the construction of a new Central Library is included in the Library Facility Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, September 10, 2010, Fulton County issued \$167,000,000 in General Obligation Bonds to finance Phase 1 projects, which involved the construction of Eight (8) new libraries and the major expansion of Two (2) existing libraries, which is almost completed; and

WHEREAS, Phase II of the Library Facility Master Plan involves the renovation of the Twenty-Three (23) existing branch libraries and the construction of a new Central Library with a sufficient amount of private funds to be raised; and

WHEREAS, in the December 21, 2005 BeltLine TAD Resolution and the August 1, 2006 Intergovernmental Agreement memorializing the conditions of Fulton County's participation in the BeltLine TAD, the City and Invest Atlanta are required to make payments to Fulton County for capital improvements to the Atlanta-Fulton County Library System, totaling \$27,000,000.00 over the life of the BeltLine TAD; and

WHEREAS, the Fulton County Board of Commissioners approved of allocating and utilizing the BeltLine PILOT payments for the construction and equipping of the new Central Library capital projects; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City to construct the new Central Library at its present location as approved by voters as part of the 2008 Bond Referendum.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
ATLANTA**, that the new Central Library for the Atlanta-Fulton Library System be constructed at its present location of One Margaret Mitchell Square, Atlanta 30303.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that a copy of this legislation be transmitted to the Board of Trustees of the Atlanta-Fulton Library System

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AT ONE MARGARET MITCHELL SQUARE
ADOPT

YEAS: 9
NAYS: 3
ABSTENTIONS: 0
NOT VOTING: 4
EXCUSED: 0
ABSENT 0

Y Smith	Y Archibong	Y Moore	Y Bond
N Hall	NV Wan	Y Martin	NV Norwood
NV Young	Y Shook	Y Bottoms	N Dickens
Y Winslow	Y Adrean	N Sheperd	NV Mitchell

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