

**A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT ACCOMODATION OF THE GEORGIA 400 TRAIL EXTENSION IN THE S.R. 400 AND I-285 INTERCHANGE PROJECT**

**WHEREAS,** the State of Georgia and Georgia Department of Transportation (Georgia DOT) are investing approximately \$1.05 billion in two projects to improve the Interstate 285 and S.R. 400 interchange and the associated collector and distributor road system (collectively the "Project"); and

**WHEREAS,** the City of Dunwoody full supports the priority given to the project by Governor Nathan Deal as it will provide traffic congestion relief, safety improvements, and economic benefit for the Metro-Atlanta region and the State of Georgia; and

**WHEREAS,** the Georgia DOT has adopted its Complete Streets Policy, which states in part "[t]he design and construction of new facilities should anticipate likely demand for bicycling and pedestrian facilities within the design life of the facility."; and

**WHEREAS,** the City of Sandy Springs has adopted a Bicycle, Pedestrian and Trail Plan which recommends a multi-use trail along the S. R.400 corridor; and

**WHEREAS,** the City of Dunwoody Comprehensive Land Use Plan states that the Perimeter Center Area vision is "[t]o create a 'livable' regional center with first-class office, retail and high-end restaurants in a pedestrian and bicycle-oriented environment that serves as a regional example of high quality design standards."; and

**WHEREAS,** the Perimeter Center Area impacted by the Project includes four MARTA train stations within 1/2-mile of the project that facilitate mobility within Perimeter and present an opportunity to connect alternative transportation modes; and

**WHEREAS,** the construction of sidewalks and bike lanes as part of the Project where it impacts arterial and collector streets, and affected surface streets, overpasses and underpasses, and inclusion of space set aside for the future construction of multiuse paths is important to the future success of the Perimeter Area; and

**WHEREAS,** the I-285 and Georgia 400, as limited access corridors, inherently present barriers to connectivity.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the City of Dunwoody for the purpose of advancing economic development, enhancing quality of life, improving mobility and increasing regional connectivity, DOES HEREBY respectfully request the Georgia Department of Transportation to allow for extension of the Georgia 400 Trail through the interchange to both sides of I-285 and S.R. 400.

**SO RESOVLED AND EFFECTIVE** this 9<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2015.

**CITY OF DUNWOODY**

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Michael G. Davis, Mayor

Attest: