



A RESOLUTION BY

02-R-2104

COUNCILMEMBERS CEASAR C. MITCHELL

A RESOLUTION TO EXPRESS THE CITY COUNCIL'S SUPPORT OF THE ADOPTION BY THE ATLANTA POLICE DEPARTMENT OF A POLICY THAT LIMITS WHEN HIGH SPEED PURSUITS MAY BE CONDUCTED; TO ENCOURAGE THE DEVELOPMENT OF A NON-CHASE PURSUIT POLICY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, in recent months death and severe injuries have occurred as a result of accidents arising out high speed pursuits conducted by law enforcement officials; and

WHEREAS, the City places the highest value on the preservation of life and the safety of its police officers and citizens and believes that the methods used to enforce laws should maximize the safety of all police officers and citizens; and

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta Police Department has instituted a policy that limits high speed pursuits to three instances; (1) where the suspect possesses a deadly weapon or object when used offensively is likely to or actually results in serious bodily harm; (2) when the officer reasonably believes the suspect posses an immediate threat of physical violence to the officer or others; and (3) when there is probable cause to believe that the suspect has committed a crime involving the infliction or threatened infliction of serious physical harm; and

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta believes that the development of procedures to track suspects after the decision not to initiate a high-speed pursuit has been made is paramount to maintaining a proper image of vigilance; and

WHEREAS, it is the belief of the City Council that the adoption of this such policies maximizes the safety of all police officers and citizens, while balancing the need to effectively pursue potential criminals.

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

SECTION 1.

That the City Council of Atlanta expresses its full support of the adoption of the new pursuit policy by Atlanta Police Department and believes that the adoption of such a policy is in the best interest of law enforcement officials and citizens.



SECTION 2.

That the City Council of Atlanta strongly encourages the Atlanta Police Department to develop and implement non-chase pursuit procedures, by which a suspect may be effectively tracked after a decision not to initiate a high-speed pursuit.

A true copy,

Rhonda Daughin Johnson
Municipal Clerk, CMC

ADOPTED by the Council
APPROVED by the Mayor

DEC 02, 2002
DEC 10, 2002

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Consent I Vote: 9 Yeas; 0 Nays (See RCS #4251)

Items Removed from the Consent Agenda: 02-O-2096; 02-R-2094; 02-R-2114; 02-R-2118

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Ruth Dunbar
MUNICIPAL CLERK

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