



A RESOLUTION

BY COUNCILMEMBER H. LAMAR WILLIS

03-R-0834

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING EFFORTS TO LOCATE THE FTAA
SECRETARIAT WITHIN THE CITY OF ATLANTA.**

WHEREAS, the Free Trade Area of the Americas (FTAA) will provide a significant positive stimulus to Georgia's economy; and,

WHEREAS, the location of the Secretariat's headquarters within the City of Atlanta would increase the relative economic gain experienced by this region through the addition of another 11,000 projected jobs over the current estimate of 16,000 resulting from the trade liberalization from FTAA; and,

WHEREAS, the resulting annual economic gain for Georgia and the Atlanta area is estimated to be a total of \$500 million; and

WHEREAS, the FTAA Secretariat and its location within the City of Atlanta would attract new international business, banking and trade offices, new consulates and other government representatives to the State of Georgia; and,

WHEREAS, it would also place the Atlanta Metropolitan Region as a strong contender for other future multilateral trade negotiations and conferences, as well as the possible headquarters for other non-governmental organizations; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta is uniquely qualified to serve as the host of such a large scale operation not only because of the infrastructure developed during the City's hosting of the 1996 Olympics but because of future investments that are anticipated to be over \$3 billion in development and nearly \$430 million in transportation initiatives throughout the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA; supports all efforts by the Governor and other organizations throughout the State of Georgia to encourage the location of the FTAA Secretariat Headquarters within the City of Atlanta.

A true copy,

Rhonda Dauphin Johnson
Municipal Clerk, CMC

ADOPTED by the Council
APPROVED by the Mayor

MAY 19, 2003
MAY 27, 2003

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Atlanta City Council

Regular Session

RESOLUTION

Support Location of new Free Trade
Organization in the City of Atlanta
ADOPT

YEAS: ~~10~~ 11
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: 0
NOT VOTING: 5
EXCUSED: 0
ABSENT 1

Y Smith	Y Archibong	Y NV Moore	NV Mitchell
Y Starnes	NV Fauver	Y Martin	Y Norwood
Y Young	Y Shook	Y Maddox	Y Willis
B Winslow	NV Muller	Y Boazman	NV Woolard

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ADOPTED BY MAY 19 2003 COUNCIL

Adopted by Roll Call 11 Years

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REGULAR REPORT REFER
ADVERTISE & REFER
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PERSONAL PAPER REFER

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FINAL COUNCIL ACTION
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Consent V Vote RC Vote

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ATLANTA CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT Catherine W. Isadore

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Roll & Municipal Clerk

MAYOR'S ACTION
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