

**A RESOLUTION  
BY COUNCILMEMBER KWANZA HALL**



**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT FUNDING FROM THE ATLANTA COORDINATING RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY INC (ACORA) IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$318,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXPANDING THE RESTORATIVE BOARD PROGRAM OF THE COMMUNITY COURT DIVISION OF THE MUNICIPAL COURT OF ATLANTA, WHICH WILL INCLUDE CONFLICT RESOLUTION AND ANGER MANAGEMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Atlanta has jurisdiction over offenders arrested for violation of city ordinances and the Municipal Court of Atlanta receives a significant number of “quality of life” cases which are fined and/or sentenced to spend time in the City of Atlanta Detention Center, and

**WHEREAS**, the Municipal Court of Atlanta established the Community Court Division to address “quality of life” and other community crimes, and

**WHEREAS**, the Municipal Court of Atlanta established a Community Restorative Board, formerly known as Reparative Board to recommend actions the offender must take to address the problem(s) that may have contributed to criminal behavior, as well as identify any actions needed to rectify the wrong they committed, and

**WHEREAS**, the Restorative Board meets with the offender, monitoring his/her progress, as s/he goes through the mandated program, which includes GED preparation, parenting classes, drug screening and counseling, high school monitoring and job readiness, job search training, and victim restitution, and

**WHEREAS**, it has been determined that conflict resolution and anger management is part of the protocol as well as being available to the residents of the ACORA communities, and

**WHEREAS**, the Restorative Board requires various actions on the part of the defendant to correct the problem that his/her behavior created and the interest and good will of the neighborhood leaders can prevent a one-time offense from becoming a persistent problem.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1:** That the Mayor is hereby authorized to apply for and accept funding from the Atlanta Coordinating Responsible Authority Inc in an amount not to exceed \$318,000

**Section 2:** That the purpose of this funding is for the expansion of the Restorative Board program of the Community Court Division of the Municipal Court of Atlanta, which will include conflict resolution and anger management