

**A RESOLUTION BY COUNCILMEMBERS  
CLAIR MULLER, JOYCE SHEPHERD AND ANNE FAUVER**

**AS SUBSTITUTE BY PUBLIC SAFETY AND LEGAL ADMINISTRATION  
COMMITTEE**

**A RESOLUTION TO ENCOURAGE THE  
INSTALLATION OF RADAR SPEED DETECTION SIGNS  
IN ALL SCHOOL ZONES IN THE CITY OF ATLANTA.**

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**WHEREAS**, the allowed speed limits in all school zones is 25 miles per hour but many times the speed limit on the street is actually 35 miles per hour or higher; and

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