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**A RESOLUTION BY
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JOYCE SHEPERD
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CONTINUED OPERATION OF THE
COMMISSARY AT FORT MCPHERSON,
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CONGRESS; AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES.**

ADOPTED BY
AUG 19 2013
COUNCIL

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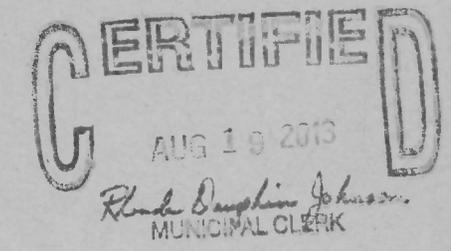
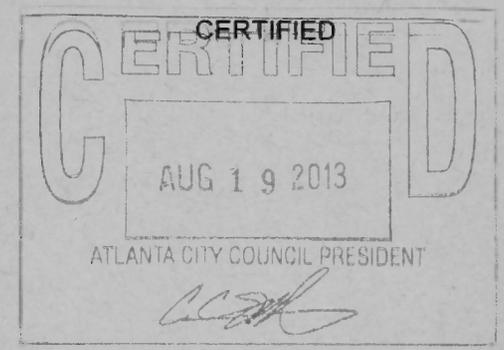
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FINAL COUNCIL ACTION
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MAYOR'S ACTION
APPROVED
AUG 28 2013
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CITY COUNCIL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

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WHEREAS, Fort McPherson is a 488-acre military installation established in 1885, and located in the Southwest Atlanta; and

WHEREAS, the installation was home to a major unit of the Third U.S. Army as well as the headquarters of the U.S. Army Forces Command (FORSCOM), which is responsible for the command and control, unit training, and operational readiness of the active army, National Guard, and reserve; and

WHEREAS, the Fort McPherson Commissary ("Commissary"), open in one form or another since the 19th Century, has served thousands of active duty and retired military personnel in Metropolitan Atlanta; and

WHEREAS, in 2005 the Defense Base Realignment and Closure Commission recommended, and Congress approved, the closing of Fort McPherson scheduled in 2011; and

WHEREAS, due to protests by local veterans, the closing of the Commissary was postponed until a new Commissary could be constructed at Dobbins Air Reserve Base in Marietta, GA. However, this new Commissary has yet to be constructed and there are no plans in the immediate future to do so; and

WHEREAS, the Defense Commissary Agency recently announced that the Commissary is scheduled to close September 30, 2013, leaving the nearest commissaries over 100 miles away at Fort Benning and Robbins AFB respectively; and

WHEREAS, this will create a significant hardship to the thousands of military personnel, retirees, and their families living in Metropolitan Atlanta, as using the Commissary saves them an average of more than 30 percent on their purchases compared to commercial prices, or more than \$4,500 a year per household in grocery costs; and

WHEREAS, as a core military family support element, and a valued part of military pay and benefits, commissaries contribute to family readiness, enhance the quality of life for America's military and their families, and help recruit and retain the best and brightest men and women to serve their country.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES, that the Fort McPherson Commissary is a lifeline to military personnel, retirees, and their families in the Atlanta Metropolitan area, and its closing will create significant hardship to the thousands of military personnel who have honorably served our country.

Handwritten signatures and initials: Andrew C. J. Martin, Felicia A. Moore, Carla Smith, and others.



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City Council strongly opposes the closing of the Fort McPherson Commissary and urges the U.S. Congress and the Defense Commissary Agency to work cooperatively towards it remaining open.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Municipal Clerk is hereby directed to transmit copies of this resolution to members of the Georgia Congressional Delegation, the Defense Commissary Agency, and the Obama Administration.

A true copy,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Bell", written over a horizontal line.

Deputy Municipal Clerk

ADOPTED by the Atlanta City Council
APPROVED as per City Charter Section 2-403

August 19, 2013
August 28, 2013

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4:41 PM

Atlanta City Council

PERSONAL

SUPPORTING OPERATION OF THE COMMISSARY
AT FORT MCPHERSON
ADOPT/SHEPERD

YEAS: 14
NAYS: 0
ABSTENTIONS: 0
NOT VOTING: 1
EXCUSED: 1
ABSENT 0

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