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CITY COUNCIL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

14-R-3826

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WHEREAS, the implementation and use of drone technology throughout the United States and in the State of Georgia remain unregulated in the area of privacy rights of individuals; and

WHEREAS, the continued absence of legal constraints for the use of drone technology for surveillance and information collection creates a potential for government abuse through the unchecked use of drones; and

WHEREAS, drones have the capacity to continuously monitor and track individuals movements, store images and data, record phone text communications, and take photographs and film individuals without regard to the distinction between public and private spaces; and

WHEREAS, drone capability for surveillance purposes is boundless as technology develops and drones may be equipped with a variety of weapons; and

WHEREAS, armed drones and surveillance drones present an unreasonable and serious threat to the privacy, unconstitutional rights and general welfare of the residents of Georgia and the American people.

NOW THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA

HEREBY, calls on the General Assembly of State of Georgia to adopt legislation providing legal restraints for the government and law enforcement's use of drone technology and prohibiting the use of drones for surveillance, information gathering purposes, and acts of aggression and violence against human beings.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Atlanta calls on the General Assembly of State of Georgia to prohibit the domestic use of drone technology by police departments without a probable cause warrant or in the case of an emergency.

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MAYOR'S ACTION

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