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**City Councilmember Natalyn Archibong allocates \$52,000 to support the Atlanta Youth Commission**

**ATLANTA** – The Atlanta City Council approved \$52,000 in funding to support the activities and initiatives of the Atlanta Youth Commission.

The allocation was sponsored by District 5 City Councilmember Natalyn Archibong. The measure (Legislative Reference No. 16-0-1403) was approved unanimously.

“These funds will help this vital commission carry out its mission,” Archibong said. “It is a body dedicated to advancing the causes and issues important to our city’s youth. Allocating funding for this commission couldn’t be more timely, and demonstrates the high value our city places on our youth.”

Pursuant to Ordinance 93-0-2047, the Atlanta Youth Commission was established by the City Council for the purpose of acting as a clearinghouse/think tank for ideas and concepts as well as to provide advice, assistance, counsel, coordination, resource development and economic development to the Mayor and City Council on youth issues, including but not limited to the development and encouragement of youth programs which will foster personal growth and enrichment through leadership, citizenship and scholarship opportunities for city youth.

Archibong said the commission is charged with the task of developing and implementing a comprehensive plan of action (POA) that will empower the youth with the necessary skills and resources to reach their own level of potential. The commission will interact with all agencies (state, local, churches, schools and private) to determine the course of action that is needed to ensure that youth in the City of Atlanta are given every opportunity to achieve their goals in society.

The youth commission is comprised of four components: The governing board, youth advisory board, the youth action coalition and the youth commission partners.

The governing board is composed of residents of the City of Atlanta with a total membership of up to 15 members who serve two-year terms each.

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