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COUNTY DEPARTMENT AGENDA REQUEST

Department/Division: Board of Commissioners

Department Head: Carol Chandler

Presenter, if needed: Carol Chandler

Preferred Meeting Date: Wednesday, November 5, 2008

Wording for the Agenda:

Proclamation recognizing November 12, 2008 as Honor Flight Fayette Day III in Fayette County.

Background/History/Details:

Ms. Gail Sparrow, President of the Honor Flight Fayette, has asked to be placed on the November 5, 2008 agenda, and would like to invite the public to show their appreciation to the nation's World War II veterans by seeing them off on their Honor Flight trip on November 12, 2008. This will be the third Honor Flight for Fayette County veterans in 2008. The first flight departed on May 14 and the second flight left on October 8, 2008. The third flight is scheduled for November 12.

The proclamations presented by the Board of Commissioners are framed and used as a part of a display for the "send off" events for the veterans on the morning of the flights.

What action are you seeking from the Board of Commissioners?

Present Proclamation.

If this item requires funding, please describe:

No funding is needed for this request.

Has this issue come before the Commissioners in the past? Yes

If so, when?

Do you need audio-visual for the presentation? No

Back-up Material Submitted? Yes

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Approved by Finance? Yes

Reviewed by Legal? Yes

Approved by Purchasing? Yes

Approved by Administrative Staff? Yes

Staff Notes

Administrator's Approval Yes

Confirmed Meeting Date Wednesday, November 5, 2008

- (●) Recognition/ Presentation
- ( ) Public Hearing
- ( ) Old Business
- ( ) New Business
- ( ) Consent
- ( ) Report
- ( ) Other

PROCLAMATION
"HONOR FLIGHT FAYETTE DAY"

Whereas, Honor Flight Foundation of Fayette, Inc. is a non-profit organization created to recognize and pay homage to our local World War II Veterans in appreciation for their great sacrifices and faithful service to our Country; and

Whereas, Honor Flight Fayette is a part of the National Honor Flight Network founded in 2004 to honor Veterans throughout America, with their primary goal to fly veterans to Washington, D.C. to visit their war memorials, particularly World War II Veterans; and

Whereas, Because Honor Flight recognizes that our nation is losing World War II veterans at a rate of 1200 per day and that sadly, most of them will never have had the opportunity to visit their National Memorial in Washington because it was not built until 2004, Honor Flight Fayette has taken on the urgent mission of honoring local World War II Veterans by providing them cost-free flights to visit their National Memorial; and

Whereas, On November 12th, 2008, Honor Flight Fayette will host its third amazing flight to Washington, providing yet more veterans with an opportunity to visit the National World War II Memorial and to spend the day as "Guests of Honor", and to talk and share memories of service and sacrifice for our Great Nation;

Now, therefore, we, the Board of Commissioners of Fayette County, are proud to proclaim November 12, 2008,

"HONOR FLIGHT FAYETTE DAY III"

and in doing so we thank the founders of Honor Flight Fayette who selflessly initiated this effort that will mean so much to so many in our community; and further, though words cannot adequately express the gratitude, admiration and respect we hold for the Veterans who will participate in the third flight to Washington on November 12, we wish this band of brothers and sisters a day of camaraderie, sharing, and tribute in recognition of a willingness to serve and sacrifice those many years ago that protected our Homeland, preserved our freedom, and reinforced America's position as the Greatest Nation in the World.

So proclaimed this 5th day of November, 2008, by the

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FAYETTE COUNTY, GEORGIA

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Jack R. Smith, Chairman