COUNTY DEPARTMENT AGENDA REQUEST

Department:	Board of Commissioners	Presenter(s):	Carol Chandler
Meeting Date:	Thursday, August 26, 2010	Type of Request:	Presentation/Recognition

Wording for the Agenda:

Proclamation recognizing September 6, 2010 as "Marquis de Lafayette Day in Fayette County".

Background/History/Details:

The James Waldrop Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution recognizes the birthday of the Honorable Marquis de Lafayette each year, in honor of his aid to America during the Revolutionary War.

What action are you seeking from the Board of Commissioners?

Present proclamation to members of the DAR

If this item requires funding, please describe:

Has this issue come before the Commissioners in the past?		If so, when?	
Do you need audio-visual for the presentation?	No	Back-up Material Submitted?	Yes

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Approved by Finance	Not Applicable	Reviewed by Legal	Yes
Approved by Purchasing	Not Applicable	Approved by County Clerk	Yes
Administrator's Approval	Yes		

Staff Notes:

Proclamation

"Marquis de LaFayette Day in Fayette County"

WHEREAS, The James Waldrop Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution recognizes the birthday of the Honorable Marquis de LaFayette each year, in honor of his aid to America during the Revolutionary War; and

WHEREAS, LaFayette joined in the fight for America's freedom, going against the orders of his King by equipping a ship and encouraging others to accompany him in this glorious cause, providing his services to our fledgling government; and in his leadership position, LaFayette brought honor to those under his command, providing all manner of goods and services at his own expense to assure his fighting force was adequately prepared for battle; and

WHEREAS, LaFayette volunteered his services to the American Government, enjoining others to share in his desire to assist us in our efforts to be free, even at the risk of injury, dismemberment or death; and eventually bringing France into the war on the side of the American forces, securing a fleet of French ships to do battle with the oppressive forces of England; and

WHEREAS, Lafayette was dedicated to the cause of the American Revolution, encouraged its Leadership, and never wavered in his decision to champion the cause of Liberty; and thus this unwavering valor and friendship was so meaningful to America's fight for independence that 17 states, including Georgia named counties in his honor;

Now therefore, we, the Governing Authority of Fayette County, known as the Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim September 6, 2010, as

"Marquis de LaFayette Day in Fayette County, Georgia"

and in doing so honor the service, loyalty, friendship, and stalwart support to our County's namesake.

So proclaimed this 26th day of August, 2010, by the

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FAYETTE COUNTY, GEORGIA

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Jack R. Smith, Chairman