

**A RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE AWARD OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
INCENTIVES TO THE TOWN BROOKHAVEN DEVELOPMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the Development Authority of DeKalb County (DADC) is currently considering the award of economic development incentives for the Town Brookhaven development project (the Project) that if implemented would reduce property tax collections in DeKalb County by \$52 million over 20 years, and

**WHEREAS**, the Project's estimate of those benefits are based substantially on sales taxes collected on consumption that would certainly occur regardless of the Project, with the only benefit to DeKalb being derived from consumption diverted here from outside DeKalb's borders, and

**WHEREAS**, the Georgia General Assembly has recently passed legislation requiring the approval of Taxing Authorities, including in this case DeKalb County and the DeKalb County School System, before such incentives may be conferred by DADC, and

**WHEREAS**, public budgets dependent on property taxes in DeKalb County are badly strained due to falling property values and State action to change the method of property value assessment.


**NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED**, The DeKalb County Board of Commissioners opposes the proposed economic development incentives for the Project at this time, and


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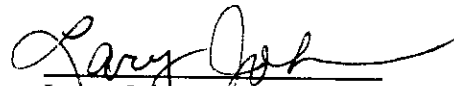
The DeKalb County Board of Commissioners resolves to challenge the validation of said incentives approved without its endorsement.


This 16<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2009.

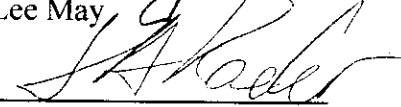
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