



City of College Park
Proclamation
Honoring the Heroism of the
Fire and Police Department Personnel

WHEREAS: An exhibition of TEAMWORK was on full display when fire crews from both, the City of College Park and the City of South Fulton Fire along with members of our Police Department worked together in unison to save the lives of eleven members of the community that they serve; and

WHEREAS: On Saturday, September 16, 2023, at 7:29 a.m., College Park Fire Rescue (CPFR) was dispatched to a structure fire of a multi-family dwelling on Godby Road. The College Park 911 Center received multiple calls reporting heavy smoke showing from a three-story apartment building with several residents trapped inside on the upper floors; and

WHEREAS: Upon arrival, The Incident Commander began to formulate a plan of action. While evaluating the overall situation, he noted that two occupants were trapped on the third floor and were accessible from the balcony of the building. He then walked around to the back side of the structure to find several other residents trapped on third story balconies, also in need of rescue; and

WHEREAS: The Incident Commander requested assistance from the City of South Fulton Fire Rescue to assist in fireground operations. As fire personnel arrived on scene, the fire steadily intensified causing an imminent need for a speedy rescue. Fire personnel were assigned to the back side of the structure with ground ladders to begin rescue operations. CPFR Personnel from Quint-3 utilized the aerial ladder to gain access to a third-story window on the front of the apartment building. Engine-1 and South Fulton Fire Rescue suppressed the flames to assist with mitigating the incident; and

WHEREAS: As a result of the fire suppression efforts, four people were able to evacuate through the stairway after the smoke had cleared. With the combined efforts from College Park Fire Rescue and City of South Fulton Fire Rescue, eleven civilians and one dog were safely evacuated from a potentially fatal situation without any casualties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, as a result of the fire suppression efforts, four people were able to evacuate through the stairway after the smoke had cleared. With the combined efforts from College Park Fire Rescue and City of South Fulton Fire Rescue, eleven civilians and one dog were safely evacuated from a potentially fatal situation without any casualties.

FURTHER, the Mayor and City Council of the City of College Park, Georgia do hereby commend the College Park Fire Rescue Department, College Park Police, and City of South Fulton Fire Rescue for their outstanding efforts and service in the protection of the citizens of the City of College Park and particularly for their life saving efforts, during the residential structure fire incident on Saturday, September 16, 2023.

PROCLAIMED THIS 16th DAY OF OCTOBER 2023.

ATTEST:

Shavala Ames, City Clerk

CITY OF COLLEGE PARK

Bianca Motley Broom, Mayor

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