A RESOLUTION NO. _____

WHEREAS, the District Attorney's Victim Witness Assistance Program serves hundreds of crime victims per year in the Chattahoochee Judicial Circuit, primarily crime victims in Columbus, Georgia;

WHEREAS, The Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) is the only federal grant program supporting direct assistance services to victims and survivors of all types of crimes;

WHEREAS, the District Attorney's Office has been informed that substantial cuts have been proposed to VOCA grant funding which would drastically reduce programs and personnel in the District Attorney's Office which serve Columbus citizens;

WHEREAS, this Council desires the Georgia Prosecuting Attorney's Council intervene at the state and federal level to ensure continued funding for these invaluable VOCA grants.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA HEREBY RESOLVES:

We hereby request that the Georgia Prosecuting Attorney's Council intervene at the state and federal level to ensure continued funding of the VOCA grant program which serves victims of crime in Columbus, Georgia and the entire Chattahoochee Judicial Circuit. Let a copy of this resolution be forwarded to District Attorney Stacey Jackson and the Director of the Georgia Prosecuting Attorney's Council.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held the day of, 2023 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of members of said Council.	
Councilor Allen voting	_
Councilor Barnes voting	_
Councilor Begly voting	_
Councilor Cogle voting	_
Councilor Crabb voting	_
Councilor Davis voting	_
Councilor Garrett voting	_
Councilor Huff voting	_
Councilor Thomas voting	_
Councilor Tucker voting	-
SANDRA T. DAVIS,	B.H. "SKIP" HENDERSON,
CLERK OF COUNCIL	MAYOR