ORDINANCE NO. <u>22-16</u>

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA, TO ESTABLISH THE AD VALOREM TAX RATE OF THE CITY OF FOREST PARK FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WITNESSETH:

Be it ordained by the Governing Body of the City of Forest Park, Georgia as follows:

WHEREAS, the Charter of the City of Forest Park, Georgia authorizes the City to levy and provide for the assessment of ad valorem property taxes on all property subject to taxation;

WHEREAS, the valuation of all property subject to taxation by the City has been determined according to the tax digest prepared by the Clayton County Board of Tax Assessors; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council, after hearing and after duly considering all such relevant evidence, testimony and public comments, has determined that it is in the best interests of, and necessary to meet the expenses and obligations of, the City of Forest Park, Georgia to set a levy at the millage rate of 16.743 for all property subject to ad valorem taxation by the City;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF FOREST PARK, GEORGIA AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The ad valorem tax rate for the City of Forest Park, Georgia for the 2022-2023 fiscal year, on property subject to ad valorem taxation by the City is hereby fixed at a millage rate of 16.743 on the assessed value of property subject to ad valorem tax by the City less any applicable exemptions.

SECTION 3. Intention of the Governing Body. It is the intention of the governing body, and it is hereby ordained that the provisions of this ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Code of Ordinances, City of Forest Park, Georgia, and the sections of the ordinance may be renumbered to accomplish such intention.

SECTION 4. Approval of Execution. The Mayor is hereby authorized to sign all documents necessary to effectuate this Ordinance.

SECTION 5. Attestation. The City Clerk is authorized to execute, attest to, and seal any documents which may be necessary to effectuate this ordinance, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

SECTION 6. Codification and Severability.

- (a) It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that all sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses and phrases of this Ordinance are and were upon their enactment believed by the City Council to be fully valid, enforceable and constitutional.
- (b) It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that to the greatest extent allowed by law each and every section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is severable from every other section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance. It is hereby further declared to be the intention of the City Council that to the greatest extent allowed by law no section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is mutually dependent upon any other section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.
- (c) In the event that any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance shall, for any reason whatsoever, be declared invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, it is the express intent of the City Council that such invalidity, unconstitutionality or unenforceability shall, to the greatest extent allowed by law, not render invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable any of the remaining sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, or phrases of the ordinance and that to the greatest extent allowed by law all remaining Sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, or phrases of the ordinance shall remain valid, constitutional, enforceable, and of full force and effect.

<u>SECTION 7</u>. <u>Repeal of Conflicting Provisions</u>. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 8. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Forest Park as provided in the City Charter.

SO ORDAINED this	_ day of _		, 2022.
		Mayor Angelyne Butler	
ATTEST:			
City Clerk		_ (SEAL)	
APPROVED AS TO FORM:			
City Attorney		_	