

FORESTPARK

PROCLAMATION

- **WHEREAS:** Communities across the United States will participate in National Economic Development Week from May 8-12 by showcasing their businesses and the contributions made through various economic development-related efforts, and;
- **WHEREAS:** Economic Development Week was created in 2016 to help increase the awareness of impactful programs that create jobs, advance career development opportunities, and improve the quality of life in neighborhoods throughout the country, and;
- **WHEREAS:** In observance of Economic Development Week, the City of Forest Park will join residents, business owners and employees at a special kick-off industrial block party celebration on May 9, 2023, at the Gillem Logistics Center, and;
- **WHEREAS:** During the event, representatives from Clayton County, Georgia, will spotlight the Gillem Logistics Center home to several global companies like Amazon, Boeing, Kroger, and HD Supply as a true model of success between government and private-sector businesses, and;
- **WHEREAS:** The city, along with the Urban Redevelopment Authority, Development Authority and Downtown Development Authority, continues to support comprehensive economic development strategies that attract, grow, and retain high-demand industry sectors.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Forest Park City Council hereby celebrates National Economic Development Week and recognizes all those who help to make the city a premier destination for commerce, business expansion and entrepreneurship.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hand on this <u>1st</u> day of <u>May 2023</u> and have caused the Official Seal of the great City of Forest Park to be affixed hereto:

Angelyne Butler, MPA Mayor

Councilmember Kimberly James Ward 1

Councilmember Hector Gutierrez Ward 3 Councilmember Dabouze Antoine Ward 2

Councilmember Latresa Akins-Wells Ward 4

Councilmember Allan Mears Ward 5