## STATE OF GEORGIA

## **COUNTY OF FULTON**

CITY OF ROSWELL POLICE

June 25, 2012

## RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE GEORGIA OPEN ROADS POLICY: QUICK CLEARANCE FOR SAFETY AND MOBILITY CITY OF ROSWELL POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS

WHEREAS, the *Georgia Open Roads Policy*, signed in 2011 by the Georgia Department of Public Safety (DPS), the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT), and the Governor of Georgia is the policy that suggests a new benchmark and standard for traffic incident response on Georgia roadways; and

WHEREAS, the Georgia Open Roads Policy states, in pertinent part, that public safety remains the highest priority during a traffic incident and that public safety agencies and traffic incident responders shall re-open the roadway as soon as possible on an urgent basis; and

WHEREAS, GDOT and the Traffic Incident Management Enhancement (TIME) Task Force recently developed the 2011 Georgia Traffic Incident Management Guidelines as the recommended state-of-practice for traffic incident response, management, and clearance for Georgia roadways, and that these Guidelines complement the Georgia Open Roads Policy:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City of Roswell Police and Fire Departments agree that clearing the travel portion of a roadway is a high priority and that roadways will not be closed or restricted any longer than is absolutely necessary; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the City of Roswell Police and Fire Departments will promote and advocate, where appropriate, the Quick Clearance principles and practices recommended by the 2011 Georgia Traffic Incident Management Guidelines, before, during, and after a traffic incident; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the City of Roswell Police and Fire Departments are committed to participating in continuous collaboration with other state and local agencies concerning intra and inter-disciplinary matters relevant to traffic incident management and quick clearance, including but not limited to training, research, evaluation, and education; and

CITY OF ROSWELL FIRE

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the City of Roswell Police and Fire Departments hereby endorses and now becomes Official Parties to the *Georgia Open Roads Policy*.

DEPARTMENT	DEPARTMENT
Dwayne Orrick, Chief of Police	Ricky Spencer, Fire Chief
Date: $6/25/12$	Date: 6/25/R

ADDITIONAL SIGNATURES ON FOLLOWING PAGE

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