

**STATE OF GEORGIA
GWINNETT COUNTY
CITY OF SUWANEE**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF SUWANEE TO RECOGNIZE THE EVERETT MUSIC BARN AS A CULTURAL ASSET; ALLOWING THE CITY TO PROMOTE ITS ACTIVITIES AS APPROPRIATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Whereas, the Everett Music Barn has been a living relic of the City of Suwanee's rural past since the 1960's; and

Whereas, the Everett brothers began playing bluegrass music at their home in Suwanee in 1964; and

Whereas, the Everett brothers were a fixture on Saturday morning local radio shows in Buford, Canton, and Cumming; and

Whereas, in 1971 the brothers built a barn behind their house to accommodate the many local and regional musicians that come to play, as well as regular attendees; and

Whereas, the barn built behind the house has been a regular Saturday night fixture for bluegrass music and community for over 50 years; and

Whereas, a number of national touring bluegrass groups have played there over the years and the Barn has helped launch the careers of several bluegrass musicians; and

Whereas, although the original Everett's who built and played at the Barn are no longer with us, the site continues to operate because of the commitment of various members of the community, including the descendants of the original founders; and

Whereas, the Barn continues its legacy as a local, regional, and national draw for bluegrass musicians and enthusiasts; and

Whereas, the city wishes to support the Everett Music Barn and protect its legacy; and

Whereas, the Everett Music Barn is a significant local historic asset of the city; and

Whereas, where and when appropriate, staff is authorized to promote, participate with, partner with and support the Everett Music Barn and their mission to bring cultural life to Suwanee; and

Whereas, the city acknowledges its ongoing performance-related activities including indoor and outdoor concerts, picnics and other activities at its rustic facility on Stonecypher Road; and

Whereas, through promotion of the Barn the city could assist in the preservation of this cultural asset, and it makes sense for the city to act, given that the Barn fits within Suwanee's anchor points as a unique, remarkable, and quality place.

NOW THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUWANEE HEREBY RESOLVES TO RECOGNIZE THE EVERETT MUSIC BARN AS A CULTURAL ASSET, AND PROMOTE THE ACTIVITIES OF THE EVERETT MUSIC BARN AS APPROPRIATE.

Section 1. Approval-This resolution shall serve as approval for the City of Suwanee to promote the Everett Music Barn as a cultural asset, while maintaining discretion over which events to officially promote.

Section 2. Effective Date- This resolution shall be effective on the date of its approval by the City Council and Mayor as provide in the City Charter.

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APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 24th DAY OF April 2018.



ATTESTED TO BY:

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Elvira Rogers, City Clerk

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