AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF SAVANNAH TO PROVIDE FOR LEASING OF AND CONTRACTING FOR MUNICIPAL PARKING SLOTS AND DOCK FACILITIES

WHEREAS, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 36-35-3 the City has been vested by the State of Georgia with legislative power to adopt clearly reasonable ordinances, resolutions or regulations relating to its property and affairs (the "Home Rule Power"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 36-35-6 the City's Home Rule Power may not extend to any matter preempted by the General Assembly via enactment of general law; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly has recognized that a municipality may, by charter provisions, lease or enter into a contract for valuable consideration providing for the use, operation or management of any of its real or personal property (O.C.G.A. §36-37-6); and

WHEREAS, the City operates its parking and dock facilities utilizing an integrated managed model designed to balance the supply and demand for parking and docks within the downtown area; and

WHEREAS, essential to the management and operation of its systemic parking model is the ability of the City to enter into leases or contracts for the use of its parking and dock facilities,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Savannah, Georgia, in regular meeting of Council assembled, and pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 36-35-3, after proper notice and advertisement in accordance therewith, that the Charter of the City of Savannah be amended to specifically enable the City to lease or enter into contracts for valuable consideration for the use, operation or management of its real or personal property as follows:

SECTION 1: Appendix 1 entitled Specific Powers Enumerated of the Charter of the City of Savannah be amended by inserting section (37) as follows:

(37) Leasing and Contracting for Use of Municipal Parking Slots and Dock Facilities.

The Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Savannah may lease or enter into a contract for valuable consideration for, in whole or in part, the use, operation or management of any municipally owned or managed parking and dock facilities, at rates to be established annually and published in the annual Revenue Ordinance.

SECTION 2: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED:	, 2016
	MAYOR
ATTEST:	
CLERK OF COUNCIL	