A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION OF A GEORGIA OUTDOOR STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM GRANT PRE-APPLICATION FOR THE TRUMAN LINEAR PARK TRAIL PHASE IIB FOR THE CITY OF SAVANNAH, GEORGIA.

WHEREAS, the Truman Linear Park Trail will be the first completed phase of the larger Tide to Town trail concept plan, a thirty-mile network of on- and off-road bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure connecting Savannah and Chatham County; and

WHEREAS, the completion of the Truman Linear Park Trail and the Tide to Town trail concept plan directly support the City of Savannah's Savannah Forward strategic plan goals, as approved by City Council, including increased multi-modal mobility, neighborhood connectivity and access to recreation; and

WHEREAS, when completed, the Truman Linear Park Trail will link 827 acres of existing City and County park and recreation facilities, and provide almost 9 miles of contiguous ADA accessible, pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure for use by residents and visitors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Savannah City Council that this governing body voices its support and agrees to submit a pre-application for funding from the Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Program (GOSP) for the Truman Linear Park Trail Phase IIB.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Savannah City Council agrees that in the event the preapplication is recommended for funding by the Board of Trustees and Department of Natural Resources, the Savannah City Council certifies and assures that is has the ability and intention to finance all project elements that will be submitted for reimbursement, as well as the 38% total project match as submitted, and will move forward with due diligence to prepare, or have prepared, appropriate documentation required for a second-level GOSP application.

Adopted and approved by the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Savannah on this 10th day of October, 2019.

Mayor Eddie W. DeLoach
ATTEST:
Mark Massey, Clerk of Council