

**RESOLUTION  
TO TRANSFER TITLE OF PROPERTIES IN THE  
CUYLER-BROWNSVILLE NEIGHBORHOOD TO THE  
CHATHAM COUNTY / CITY OF SAVANNAH LAND BANK AUTHORITY, INC.  
FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF AFFORDABLE AND WORKFORCE HOUSING  
BY THE GALVAN FOUNDATION, INC.**

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Savannah (the “City”) have undertaken an initiative to bring about the development of blighted, abandoned property with housing that is affordable to qualified low- and modest-income persons; and

**WHEREAS**, the City owns 19 vacant properties listed herein in the Cuyler-Brownsville neighborhood (the “Properties”); and

0 West 36 <sup>th</sup> Street	PIN 2-0066 41-006
501 West 37 <sup>th</sup> Street	PIN 2-0073 10-007
0 West 37 <sup>th</sup> Street	PIN 2-0073 06-001
0 West 37 <sup>th</sup> Street	PIN 2-0073 06-002
709 West 37 <sup>th</sup> Street	PIN 2-0073 06-003
704 West 37 <sup>th</sup> Street	PIN 2-0073 06-004
811 West 37 <sup>th</sup> Street	PIN 2-0073 03-001
631 West 39 <sup>th</sup> Street	PIN 2-0073 16-005
923 West 40 <sup>th</sup> Street	PIN 2-0073 23-003
603 West 42 <sup>nd</sup> Street	PIN 2-0073 41-015
2106 Harden Street	PIN 2-0073 06-025
2104 Bulloch Street	PIN 2-0073 03-018
2110 Bulloch Street	PIN 2-0073 03-016
2114 Bulloch Street	PIN 2-0073 03-019
2409 Bulloch Street	PIN 2-0073 23-013
0 Florance Street	PIN 2-0066 46-005
712 Lavinia Street	PIN 2-0066 21-006
714 Lavinia Street	PIN 2-0066 21-007
718 Lavinia Street	PIN 2-0066 21-008

**WHEREAS**, the Chatham County / City of Savannah Land Bank Authority, Inc. (the “LBA”) has requested that the City of Savannah transfer title of the Properties to the LBA so it may work with the Galvan Foundation, Inc. (Galvan) to bring about the development of Properties to include mixed-income affordable and workforce housing; and

**WHEREAS**, Galvan expects to invest more than \$5,000,000 to develop the Properties with construction beginning in 2023 as part of a planned multi-year effort by the Foundation to invest and improve housing and quality of life in the Cuyler-Brownsville neighborhood; and

**WHEREAS**, Galvan has also committed an additional \$1,000,000 to the Savannah Affordable Housing Fund (SAHF) to help bring about the repair of owner and renter occupied property, the renovation and development of other vacant property, and the provision of down payment assistance to first time home buyers in the Cuyler-Brownsville neighborhood through Housing Savannah initiatives; and

**WHEREAS**, Galvan donated \$50,000 to the SAHF in 2022 for use with citywide Housing Savannah activities; and

**WHEREAS**, Galvan learned about and became interested in investing in Housing Savannah activities through the work of the Housing Savannah Task Force and the Housing Savannah Action Plan adopted by City Council in October 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, as Galvan learned more about Housing Savannah, it wanted to identify a neighborhood in which its investment could be targeted and help make a difference in the lives of residents over a several year period; and

**WHEREAS**, the Housing & Neighborhood Services Department, the Community Housing Services Agency, Inc., and the LBA will work with and assist Galvan as it prepares to implement its development plans; and

**WHEREAS**, the LBA will return to the City at least 90% of the net sale proceeds received from the sale of the Properties to Galvan.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Savannah approve the terms of the transfer of the Properties described herein to the Chatham County / City of Savannah Land Bank Authority for the purpose described herein.

Adopted this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January 2023.

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Van R. Johnson, II, Mayor

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Mark Massey, Clerk of Council