



Fulton County Board of Commissioners

# 17-0085

# Agenda Item Summary

MEETING DATE:

1-18-17

Requesting Agency

**COMMISSIONERS (DARNELL)**

Requested Action *(Identify appropriate Action or Motion, purpose, cost, timeframe, etc.)*

**APPROVAL**

Requirement for Board Action *(Cite specific Board policy, statute or code requirement)*

Is this Item Goal Related? *(If yes, describe how this action meets the specific Board Focus Area or Goal)*

Yes  No

**Summary & Background**

*(First sentence includes Agency recommendation. Provide an executive summary of the action that gives an overview of the relevant details for the item.)*

**REQUEST APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION TO RENAME THE SOUTH FULTON LIBRARY THE GLADYS S. DENNARD LIBRARY AT SOUTH FULTON. (Darnell)**

**Fiscal Impact / Funding Source**

*(Include projected cost, approved budget amount and account number, source of funds, and any future funding requirements.)*

**Exhibits Attached** *(Provide copies of originals, number exhibits consecutively, and label all exhibits in the upper right corner.)*

**Source of Additional Information**

*(Type Name, Title, Agency and Phone)*

**RESOLUTION TO RENAME THE SOUTH FULTON LIBRARY  
THE GLADYS S. DENNARD LIBRARY AT SOUTH FULTON**

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**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Fulton County Policy and Procedure 600-57, Public Facilities that are Public Libraries shall be given the name of the geographical area or community served, or a suitable combination of the foregoing with the name of a person, as determined by the Library Board of Trustees (“Board of Trustees”) and recommended to the Board of Commissioners; and

**WHEREAS**, members of the community served by the South Fulton Library requested that it be renamed in honor of Gladys S. Dennard; and

**WHEREAS**, the Director of the Fulton Public Library System (“Library System”) appointed a committee (“Committee”) comprised of members of the community, library staff members, and individuals from the Friends of the South Fulton Library to gather information and consider whether to recommend naming the South Fulton Library in honor of Gladys S. Dennard; and

**WHEREAS**, the Committee presented its findings to the Board of Trustees; and

**WHEREAS**, based upon the Committee’s findings, Gladys S. Dennard faithfully served the Library System with distinction for more than 25 years; and

**WHEREAS**, Gladys S. Dennard was the first Branch Manager of the South Fulton Library; and

**WHEREAS**, Gladys S. Dennard was a dynamic librarian who created a warm and welcoming atmosphere that made South Fulton Library a vital community hub; and

**WHEREAS**, Gladys S. Dennard’s life ended tragically on July 29, 2002, when she was murdered while she was working at the South Fulton Branch Library; and

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1           **WHEREAS**, the Committee recommended to the Board of Trustees that the South  
2 Fulton Library be renamed the Gladys S. Dennard Library at South Fulton; and

3           **WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees adopted the Committee’s recommendation at its  
4 regularly scheduled meeting on November 16, 2016; and

5           **WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees now seeks the approval of the Fulton County  
6 Board of Commissioners to rename the South Fulton Library- the “Gladys S. Dennard  
7 Library at South Fulton;” and  
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9           **WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners finds that the service of Gladys S.  
10 Dennard to Fulton County is deserving of this recognition and honor.

11           **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Commissioners hereby  
12 accepts the recommendation of the Board of Trustees and approves renaming the South  
13 Fulton Library in honor of Gladys S. Dennard in recognition of her service to Fulton County  
14 and the community.  
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16           **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the South Fulton Library shall be renamed the  
17 “Gladys S. Dennard Library at South Fulton” and shall be so designated by the Library  
18 Board of Trustees.

19           **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Department of Real Estate and Asset  
20 Management shall create appropriate signage to be placed at the Gladys S. Dennard  
21 Library at South Fulton.  
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24           **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this Resolution shall become effective when  
25 adopted, and that all resolutions and parts of resolutions in conflict with this Resolution are  
26 hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict.  
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1           **SO PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County,  
2 Georgia, this 18th day of January, 2017.

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**Sponsored by:**

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**Commissioner Emma I. Darnell**  
**District 6**

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**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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**Mark Massey**  
**Clerk to the Commission**

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**Patrise Perkins - Hooker**  
**County Attorney**

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