

House Bill 1617 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives Buckner of the 76th, Dodson of the 75th, Jordan of the 77th, Abdul-Salaam of the 74th, Sinkfield of the 60th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To create a Heritage Trail Commission for Clayton County and to provide for its powers and
2 duties; to provide for the composition of the commission and the selection and appointment
3 of members; to provide for meetings, procedures, and operational bylaws; to provide for
4 findings; to provide for automatic repeal; to provide for dissolution; to repeal conflicting
5 laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 There is created an entity to be known as the "Heritage Trail Commission of Clayton
9 County." The purpose of the commission is to research, document, and promote the rich
10 multicultural heritage of Clayton County and the surrounding areas.

11 **SECTION 2.**

12 (a) The commission shall consist of the following members:

13 (1) Four members with one being appointed by each of the elected members of the
14 Clayton County Board of Commissioners;

15 (2) Nine members with one being appointed by each member of the Clayton County
16 Legislative Delegation; and

17 (3) Every member of the seven-member Clayton County Convention and Tourism Board
18 or the designees thereof shall be members of the commission.

19 (b) The commission chairperson shall be appointed by the Clayton County Board of
20 Commissioners chairperson.

21 (c) The commission honorary chairperson shall be the chairperson of the Clayton County
22 Board of Commissioners.

23 (d) The commission administrative assistant shall be the Clayton County Convention and
24 Tourism Board director or a designee.

SECTION 3.

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2 Meeting dates, administrative functions, and operational bylaws shall be determined by the
3 membership.

SECTION 4.

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5 No person shall receive compensation for serving on the commission.

SECTION 5.

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7 The commission shall present findings to the Clayton County Board of Commissioners and
8 the Clayton County Convention and Tourism Board.

SECTION 6.

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10 This Act shall be repealed on December 31, 2007, unless reauthorized by an Act of local
11 legislation.

SECTION 7.

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13 The commission may be dissolved by a resolution passed by a majority of the Clayton
14 County Board of Commissioners.

SECTION 8.

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16 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.