## AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF CHATTAHOOCHEE HILL COUNTRY CHANGING THE NAME OF THE CITY AND TO AMEND SECTION 6.02(b) OF ARTICLE VI OF THE CITY CHARTER TO EXTEND THE TRANSITION PERIOD ALLOWED FOR THE ORDERLY TRANSITION OF VARIOUS GOVERNMENT FUNCTIONS FROM FULTON COUNTY TO THE CITY OF CHATTAHOOCHEE HILL COUNTRY

WHEREAS, the Charter of the City of Chattahoochee Hill Country provides that the name of the City shall be "City of Chattahoochee Hill Country"; and

WHEREAS, Section 6.02(b) of Article VI of the Charter of the City of Chattahoochee Hill Country provides for a transition period from October 30, 2006, and ending at midnight of the last day of the twenty-fourth month following such day, for the purpose of allowing for an orderly transition of various government functions from Fulton County to the City of Chattahoochee Hill Country; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council have decided that it would be desirable to change the name of the City from "Chattahoochee Hill Country" to "Chattahoochee Hills"; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and the City Council have determined that additional time is needed for completing certain aspects of the transition, particularly with reference to the adoption of a comprehensive future land use plan for the City of Chattahoochee Hill Country for submission to the Atlanta Regional Commission, the regional planning and intergovernmental coordination agency for the ten county Metropolitan Area; and

WHEREAS, Article IX, Section II, Paragraph II of the Constitution of the State of Georgia, entitled Home Rule for Municipalities, allows the General Assembly of the State of Georgia to provide by law for the self-government of municipalities, which the General Assembly has done with The Municipal Home Rule Act of 1965, O.C.G.A. §36-35-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, O.C.G.A. §36-35-3 allows municipal charters to be amended by ordinances duly adopted at two regular consecutive meetings of the municipal governing authority, not less than seven nor more than 60 days apart; and

WHEREAS, a Resolution was approved and adopted on July 1, 2008, by the City Council while in regular session to amend the Charter by Ordinance as set forth above and pursuant to O.C.G.A. §36-35-3 the required notice has been published in the Fulton County Daily Report once a week for three weeks prior to its final adoption, and a copy of the proposed amendment has been on file in the Office of the Clerk of Chattahoochee Hill Country and in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Fulton County, Georgia, all as required by law; and

WHEREAS, the required notice will have been published within the statutory period of 60 days immediately preceding the final adoption of this Ordinance amending the Charter; and

WHEREAS, the title of this Ordinance shall have been read and the Ordinance duly adopted at two consecutive City Council meetings not less than 7 nor more than 60 days apart as required by Georgia law.

**NOW THEREFORE,** in accordance with O.C.G.A. §36-35-3, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Chattahoochee Hill Country, Georgia, pursuant to their authority, do hereby adopt this Ordinance so that the Charter of the City of Chattahoochee Hill Country is hereby amended as follows:

**Section 1.** That the Charter of the City of Chattahoochee Hill Country shall be amended in accordance with the above so that upon proper passage, the name of the City shall no longer read "City of Chattahoochee Hill Country, Georgia," but shall read "City of Chattahoochee Hills, Georgia." Such shall be changed all through the Charter of the City of Chattahoochee Hill Country and in every instance with the Charter reads "City of Chattahoochee Hill Country" shall thereafter read "City of Chattahoochee Hills."

**Section 2.** That the Charter of the City of Chattahoochee Hill Country shall be amended in accordance with the above so that upon proper passage Section 6.02(b) of Article VI of the Charter shall read as follows:

"Article VI General Provisions

Section 6.02 Effective Dates.

(b) A period of time will be needed for an orderly transition of various government functions from Fulton County to the City of Chattahoochee Hills. Accordingly, there shall be a transition period beginning December 1, 2007, and ending at midnight on November 30, 2009. During such transition period, all provisions of this Act shall be effective as law, but not all provisions of this Act shall be implemented."

**SO ORDAINED** this 23rd day of September, 2008.

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## Approved:

D.L. Hayes, Mayor

Attest:

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Approved as to Form:

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