

House Bill 761 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives Carter of the 92nd, Kendrick of the 93rd, Davis of the 87th, Drenner of the 85th, Taylor of the 91st, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Lithonia in DeKalb County,
2 Georgia, approved May 5, 2006 (Ga. L. 2006, p. 4586), so as to change the corporate limits
3 of the city; to provide for related matters; to provide for a referendum; to provide for
4 contingent effective dates and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other
5 purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 An Act to provide a new charter for the City of Lithonia in DeKalb County, Georgia,
9 approved May 5, 2006 (Ga. L. 2006, p. 4586), is amended in Section 1.11 by adding a new
10 subsection to read as follows:

11 "(a.1) In addition to all other territory included within the corporate limits of said city, the
12 corporate limits shall specifically include the following described property, all of which is
13 located in DeKalb County, Georgia:

14 VTD: 089RL - ROCK CHAPEL ROAD

15 023303:

16 2003 2004 2011 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2036

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17 VTD: 089SL - STONEVIEW ELEM

18 023303:

19 2008 2009 2010 2030 3001 3010 3011 3025 3026

20 For the purposes of this description, the term "VTD" shall mean and describe the same
 21 geographical boundaries as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the
 22 United States decennial census of 2010 for the State of Georgia. The separate numeric
 23 designations in the description which are underneath a VTD heading shall mean and
 24 describe individual blocks within a VTD as provided in the report of the Bureau of the
 25 Census for the United States decennial census of 2010 for the State of Georgia."

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SECTION 2.

27 The election superintendent of DeKalb County shall call and conduct a special election as
 28 provided in this section for the purpose of submitting this Act to the electors of the territory
 29 sought to be annexed into the City of Lithonia under this Act for approval or rejection. The
 30 election superintendent shall conduct such election on the Tuesday next following the first
 31 Monday in November, 2021, and shall issue the call and conduct such election as provided
 32 by general law. The election superintendent shall cause the date and purpose of the election
 33 to be published once a week for two weeks immediately preceding the date thereof in the
 34 official organ of DeKalb County. The ballot shall have written or printed thereon the words:

35 "() YES Shall the Act which annexes certain land into the City of Lithonia be

36 () NO approved?"

37 All persons desiring to vote for approval of the annexation shall vote "Yes," and all persons
 38 desiring to vote for rejection of the annexation shall vote "No." If more than one-half of the
 39 votes cast on such question are for approval of the annexation, then this Act shall become
 40 effective on January 1, 2022. If more than one-half of the votes cast on such question are for
 41 rejection of the annexation, this Act shall not become effective and shall be automatically
 42 repealed on the first day of January immediately following such election date. The expense

43 of such election shall be borne by the City of Lithonia. It shall be the election
44 superintendent's duty to certify the result thereof to the Secretary of State.

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SECTION 3.

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