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DeKalb County Board of Commissioners  
1300 Commerce Drive  
Decatur, GA 30030

Re: Tax Allocation District for General Motors Site

Commissioner Gannon,

The Council for Quality Growth is a not-for-profit trade association comprised of a diverse membership of developers, contractors, engineers, architects, planners, law firms and bankers with a vested interest in quality growth and development in the Region. As you consider the redevelopment of the old General Motors site in Doraville, we would ask that you consider the available tax allocation district option, that was created by the City of Doraville.

It is clear by any standard that the GM site, with the lack of infrastructure, is a perfect vehicle for the use of a tax allocation district. If there are no incentives, this property will not be developed. It is the Council's belief that the county and school board should work together with the city to utilize the tax allocation district to bring new life and redevelopment to DeKalb County.

As the Metro Region continues to see growth and a development in all areas of industry, the Council believes that DeKalb County citizens and business will benefit greatly with the redevelopment of the General Motors site and will have benefits to the Region for years to come.

We respectfully urge you to consider this tool and thank you for your consideration of this issue

Sincerely,

James Touchton  
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Council for Quality Growth