COUNTY AGENDA REQUEST

Department:	Board of Commissioners	Presenter(s):	Carol Chandler
Meeting Date:	Wednesday, September 7, 2011	Type of Request:	Presentation/Recognition

Wording for the Agenda:

Proclamation recognizing September 17-23, 2011 as "Constitution Week in Fayette County".

Background/History/Details:

The James Waldrop Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, or DAR, has requested a proclamation for National Constitution Week, that is observed from September 17-23, 2011.

The United States Constitution was adopted on September 17, 1787. This observation marks the 224th anniversary of the day the Constitution was adopted and signed.

On April 21, 1955, the DAR adopted its own resolution for Constitution Week. Members of Congress received the resolution and discussed it on June 7, 1955. The first resolution to observe Constitution Week was made by Senator Knowland of California on June 14, 1955, and following the passage of the resolution, President Eisenhower issued a proclamation on August 19, 1955. The observance was so successful Senator Knowland introduced a Senate Joint Resolution for the President to annually designate September 17-23 as Constitution Week, which was passed on July 23, 2956. On August 2, 1956, the resolution was signed into law.

What action are you seeking from the Board of Commissioners?

Present proclamation to members of the James Waldrop Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

If this item requires funding, please describe:

Not Applicable.

Has this request been considered within the past two years?	Yes	If so, when?	Thursday, August 26, 2010
Is Audio-Visual Equipment Required for this Request?	No	Backup Provided with Request?	Yes

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Approved by Finance	Not Applicable	Reviewed by Legal	
Approved by Purchasing	Not Applicable	County Clerk's Approval	Yes
Administrator's Approval	Yes		

Staff Notes:

Proclamation
"Constitution Week in Fayette County"

WHEREAS, September 17, 2011 marks the two hundred twenty fourth anniversary of the drafting of the Constitution of the United States of America by the Constitutional Convention; and

WHERAS, It is fitting and proper to accord official recognition to this magnificent document and its memorable anniversary; and to the patriotic celebration which will commemorate the occasion; and

WHEREAS, Members of the James Waldrop Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution of the City of Fayetteville and the State of Georgia strive to achieve the goals of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution in promoting patriotism, preserving American History, educating Americans young and old with true and correct historical information; and in serving America and her veterans, past and present; and

WHEREAS, Each year the President of the United States of America designates September 17 through 23 as Constitution Week.

Now therefore, we, the Board of Commissioners of Fayette County, Georgia, do likewise proclaim the week of September 17 through 23rd, 2011 as

"Constitution Week in Fayette County"

and in doing so ask our citizens to reaffirm the ideals that the Framers of the Constitution had in 1787 by vigilantly protecting the freedoms guaranteed to us through this guardian of liberties, remembering that lost rights may never be regained.

So proclaimed this 7th day of September, 2011 by the

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FAYETTE COUNTY, GEORGIA

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Herbert E. Frady, Chairman