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**DEKALB CEO SALUTES FORMER EXECUTIVE
ASSISTANT RICHARD STOGNER**

40 Years of Public Service to Metro-Atlanta Celebrated

ATLANTA – DeKalb County Chief Executive Officer Burrell Ellis joined former elected officials, community leaders and a host of supporters to celebrate the accomplishments and life’s work of Richard Stogner on Sunday, May 31. The Toast & Tales event, sponsored by Leadership DeKalb, featured CEO Ellis and several high-profile speakers who honored Stogner’s commitment to 40 years of public service to metro-Atlanta. Gifts and contributions were made in Stogner’s name to benefit the USO Georgia chapter. Stogner has served as a board member for this organization that benefits traveling soldiers for over 20 years.

“Richard Stogner has served the metro-Atlanta area in public service for 40 years,” said CEO Ellis. “It is truly a testimony to his commitment, dedication and hard work. Richard has truly shaped government and the lives of the people he has worked with. I am proud to take this time to honor his many accomplishments.”

The speakers for the Toast & Tales event included: CEO Burrell Ellis, Sam Massell, CEO of Buckhead Coalition and former Mayor, City Atlanta; Sam Williams, President Metro Atlanta Chamber of Commerce; Vernon Jones, Former CEO, DeKalb County; Sam Brownlee, Former County Manager, Fulton County; Tally Sweat, Community Activist; Pat Glisson, COO King & Spalding; Mary Lou Alston, President & CEO, USO Georgia; George Berry, Former Commissioner, Georgia Department of Industry & Trade. The event was held at Callanwolde Arts Center.

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Richard Stogner served DeKalb County as the Executive Assistant. Stogner has also worked for Fulton County, Hartsfield/Jackson International Airport, the City of Atlanta, and the Atlanta and United States Olympic Committees.



LEFT: CEO Burrell Ellis congratulates Richard Stogner at the Toasts & Tales event.

RIGHT: CEO Ellis and supporters gather to salute Richard Stogner for 40 years of Public Service.

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