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FORT DANIEL SITE TO BE PRESERVED

(Lawrenceville, Ga., Dec. 11, 2012) – The Gwinnett Board of Commissioners today approved the purchase of the 4.32-acre Fort Daniel historic site in northeastern Gwinnett for the appraised value of \$241,000 with funds from the 2009 SPLOST sales tax program. The property, sold by Ann P. Grant, includes a 1,500-square foot house.

Board Chairman Charlotte Nash said, “We look forward to working with community groups such as the Gwinnett Archaeological Research Society and Friends of Fort Daniel to provide educational opportunities for Gwinnett County youth and families.”

Local militia built Fort Daniel a few years before the incorporation of Gwinnett County in 1818. Major General Allen Daniel was Commander of the 4th Division of Georgia’s militia at the time. The fort replaced or refurbished a 1790s frontier fort on the same site. Local archaeologists and historians located the remains of the fort in 2009 and registered the site on the Georgia Trust for Historic Preservation’s *Places in Peril*.

District 3 Commissioner Mike Beaudreau said, “This is an outstanding and long overdue opportunity to preserve and protect our history and heritage for future generations.”

The Fort Daniel site is located at 2505 Braselton Highway in northeastern Gwinnett County. For more about Gwinnett’s heritage programs, visit the [Gwinnett Environmental and Heritage Center](#) online.

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