

Duluth Statement on Gwinnett Place Mall

(Duluth, Georgia, March 16, 2012) – Gwinnett Place Mall is at the gateway to the City of Duluth where a natural bond exists between the city and the Mall area as our economic health and vitality have played an important mutually supportive role. We regret that Simon Property Group has elected to sever its relationship with Gwinnett Place Mall. The City of Duluth recognizes the rich diversity of businesses and residences of this potentially vibrant retail center. There is no doubt this announcement creates a challenge that will require community stakeholders to rally together to take deliberate and timely action to revitalize the Mall and insure the continuing economic prosperity of the area. The City of Duluth wishes to assure the businesses and residents who call this area home that we recognize your value and importance to our continuing economic health. The challenge of this announcement creates opportunity for all partners who have an interest in seeing Gwinnett Place thrive to work together towards this end. The City of Duluth is determined to work with the Gwinnett Place Community Investment District, Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners, the businesses, and residents of Gwinnett Place to overcome and redevelop this area.

Mayor Nancy Harris

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