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Dear Comm. Darnell,

Thank you for standing for the residents of Fulton and DeKalb counties who need access to Grady Hospital. ARxC agrees that the Grady administration should be accountable to serving the residents of Fulton and DeKalb counties before receiving any allotments.

In last week's AJC, Grady was touting financial stability. Days later they were claiming an \$87.4 million deficit in revenue. Grady Hospital is also cutting 100 jobs and more patient programs and services. Grady and its Board of Directors should be required to uphold their MOU with Fulton and DeKalb counties. Furthermore, we agree that the surrounding counties should pay their share for their residents' use of Grady Hospital for medical services.

ARxC and Fulton/DeKalb communities are concerned about Mr. Evans establishing an ad hoc committee that does not include the true stakeholders in this battle; the resident advocates who depend on Grady Hospital for their medical care and service.

Since 2009, Grady has cut services and communication with the residents and defaulted on upholding their mission. Grady has made every change that would cancel their accountability to the county residents and has insisted on moving toward a policy of greater privatization. They demonstrate a blatant disregard for serving the public while rewarding costly bonuses to their executive administration and accumulating legal fees in court battles with Grady patients.

ARxC trusts you, Commissioner Darnell and Commissioner Johnson, to hold Grady responsible to fulfill their mission to the residents of Fulton and DeKalb counties. Grady must let go of their notion to only serve as a private hospital while collecting money from the counties. Their mission states they will serve the disadvantaged and uninsured of Fulton and DeKalb counties. It is our responsibility to work together and insure Grady Hospital will make this possible.

We admire your just resolve and thank you for allowing the voice of the residents of Fulton and DeKalb to be heard. Please let us know if we can assist you.

Most truly,  
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