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## MAYOR ERIC CLARKSON ISSUES FOLLOWING STATEMENT ON ANNEXATION

February 24, 2017—The Council and I believe that no actions concerning Chamblee annexation will move forward in this year's General Assembly Session.

A grassroots effort asking the Council to adopt a resolution in support of legislative action to allow an annexation vote was brought forward at the February Work Session. The City of Chamblee has in the past, and always will listen to annexation requests and be open to the idea if it can be determined to have a positive impact on our community. However in this case, and after hearing from State Representatives, it appears that there is not enough time left in this legislative session for a proper analysis of the request.

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Located just 14 miles from downtown Atlanta, Chamblee is a vibrant urban city with a diverse community and international flair. The City of Chamblee began as a small rail town and was incorporated in 1908. It has grown to more than seven square miles and nearly 30,000 residents. Chamblee is home to a heavy rail MARTA station, a historic downtown and Antique Row, the vibrant Buford Highway corridor, DeKalb-Peachtree Airport (PDK), the Centers for Disease Control and a thriving business community with a unique sense of entrepreneurship and optimism. Visit www.chamblee.com for more information.