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Statement from Sheriff Patrick "Pat" Labat regarding NaphCare Contract Extension

Atlanta, GA – Today, the Fulton County Board of Commissioners gave unanimous approval to the NaphCare contract extension negotiated by Fulton County and the Fulton County Sheriff's Office General Counsel ensuring the continuity of medical services until December 31, 2023.

In an effort to tackle various identified concerns and enhance patient care accountability, the Fulton County Sheriff's Office and the Fulton County executive team have actively engaged in discussions with NaphCare. Additionally, Sheriff Labat presented a detailed plan which addresses issues such as facility matters, staffing, and security matters, all aimed at promoting the health, safety, and well-being of both detainees and personnel within the Rice Street Jail.

Sheriff Labat stated, "The concerns that have come to light in recent months have not magically gone away or been resolved, but we are making progress. My intent remains to provide the best standard of care for inmates while also ensuring there are no gaps in service. On advice of legal counsel, this extension through the end of the year is the best option to meet those goals."

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ABOUT THE FULTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE: The mission of the Fulton County Sheriff's Office is Service; through laser-focused efforts to protect the citizens of Fulton County with coordinated law enforcement operations, special strategic teams, and community outreach methods. The Sheriff's Office is constitutionally responsible for the security of all courtrooms, executing arrest warrants, and serving civil papers. In addition, the Sheriff's Office is responsible for the administration and operation of the Fulton County Jail.