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**PIEDMONT PARK DRINKING FOUNTAINS TO BE REPAIRED
Waterfall Foundation Donates \$100,000 to Piedmont Park Conservancy**

ATLANTA, GA, April 14, 2017 – This spring, Piedmont Park will receive significant repairs and improvements to all the drinking fountains in the park. The Piedmont Park Conservancy was delighted to receive a generous grant of \$100,000 from the Waterfall Foundation which will provide a permanent solution to the frequent need for repairs to all the park’s drinking fountains.

This grant will allow the Conservancy to replace the internal supply and drainage systems for all 27 of the park’s drinking fountains. The Conservancy’s Operations staff check the fountains, which are amenities maintained by the City of Atlanta, on a daily basis in order to detect any non-functioning fountains however as the fountains have aged, continued repairs have been needed. Now, thanks to the Waterfall Foundation’s grant, the fountains can be properly retrofitted and upgraded thereby eliminating the need for constant repairs and periods of time when the fountains are out of order. Replacing the internal supply and drainage system for all the drinking fountains throughout the park will greatly increase the efficiency of the fountains and allow them to be available for the use of park visitors at all times.

This targeted project is considered a one-time capital improvement that will take place this spring and completed within four weeks. Sincere appreciation is extended to the Waterfall Foundation for this critical improvement.

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The Piedmont Park Conservancy is a member and donor funded nonprofit organization working in partnership with the City of Atlanta to maintain and enhance historic Piedmont Park. Founded in 1989, the Conservancy raises over \$3 million each year to enhance and maintain the park. Today, the Conservancy manages approximately 85% of the overall daily maintenance, repair and security of Piedmont Park.

Larger photographs available upon request.

