## **RESUME**

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### **SUMMARY:**

A career in finance and a recognized leader in the field of affordable housing and community development in Atlanta. Has founded and led organizations that have developed a wide range of housing, from luxury condominiums to rental apartments to supportive housing that serves the homeless. Built what became the 29<sup>th</sup> largest nonprofit in Atlanta. A civic leader, has served on numerous boards and councils related to housing, the environment, and social policy.

### **EXPERIENCE:**

# PROGRESSIVE REDEVELOPMENT, INC. 1989-2012 Co-founder, President and Chief Executive Officer Atlanta, GA

Progressive Redevelopment (PRI) was the leading nonprofit developer and owner of affordable housing in Georgia and one of largest nonprofits in Atlanta with \$17 million in revenue. Responsible for overall management and direction of the company, overseeing staff of 150 plus. Served also as president of PRI's property management company and its real estate partnerships, as owner of 27 apartment properties around the state. Co-founded company in 1989 as board chair and also served as Executive Director from 1992 to 1997. Resumed board chair from 1997 until 2001when returned to staff as President / CEO.

## GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

2012-

Adjunct Professor

Teaching community development in the masters program of the School of City and Regional Planning

THE URBAN GROUP	1998-2001
Partner and Chief Financial Officer	Atlanta, GA

The Urban Group was developer of the mid-rise, super-luxury 2500 Peachtree Condominium. As Executive Vice President and CFO, responsible for all financial, accounting, legal and administrative functions of the firm. Sold partnership in 2001 and returned to PRI.

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY INVESTMENT GROUP, INC.	1986-1992
Co-founder and Vice President	Atlanta, GA

The SRI Group was a registered investment advisory firm which managed financial securities for individuals and institutions. Sold interests upon move to PRI

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF ATLANTA	1982-1986
Assistant Vice President	Atlanta, GA

Small business loan officer responsible for generating lending relationships

### **SELECTED CAREER HIGHLIGHTS:**

<u>Welcome House</u>, the <u>Imperial</u>, and <u>Hope House</u> Conceptualized, planned and financed these supportive housing facilities, developed by PRI in downtown Atlanta between 1992 and 2004. Collectively, they represent almost 400 units of the most successful housing for the formerly homeless ever developed in Atlanta. Residents are provided well managed affordable housing with social services on site, enabling them to move toward economic and social independence.

<u>Historic Scottish Rite</u> Recognized as one of the finest real estate developments in metro Atlanta in 2004 by the Urban Land Institute, the Historic Scottish Rite developed by PRI is an historic rehabilitation of the former Scottish Rite children's hospital, built in 1919 and designed by noted architect Neel Reid. Spurring the revitalization of the Oakhurst neighborhood south of Decatur, it now serves as a 26,000 square foot mixed-use office and retail complex and offices for PRI.

**<u>2500 Peachtree</u>** One of three members of leadership team that developed 2500 Peachtree, at the time Atlanta's most luxurious condominium with a cost of \$50 million. It helped to usher in the condo boom in Buckhead. 2500 Peachtree remains one of the most striking and graceful buildings lining Peachtree Road today.

Habit for Humanity International and the Jimmy Carter Work Project Volunteer head of the 1988 Jimmy Carter Work Project, which over the span of one week constructed 20 simple, well-built houses in the Edgewood neighborhood. This experience led to a five-year term on the board of Habitat for Humanity International, with three of those years as Treasurer. The global exposure and opportunity to learn from Habitat for Humanity's founder, Millard Fuller, and its most prominent volunteer, Jimmy Carter, was an extraordinary experience that shaped his career.

## **CIVIC AFFAIRS**:

**Current:** Board of Councilors, The Carter Center, 2003-; board, Regional Council of Churches, 2009-; member, Downtown Atlanta Rotary Club, 1996-; board, Community Crossroads Ministries, 2009-; member, St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 1984-

**Formerly**: Chair, Affordable Housing Advisory Council, Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta; 2003-08; Board of Trustees, Georgia Conservancy, 2003-08; Member, Emory Board of Visitors, 2007-2010; Chair, Mixed-Income Communities Initiative, 2007-09; Chair, BeltLine Affordable Housing Advisory Board, 2007-09; Board, Habitat for Humanity International, Treasurer, 1992-1996; Leadership Atlanta, Class of 1990; Leadership Georgia, Class 1986.

#### **EDUCATION:**

GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY MBA Finance; Scottish Rite Fellowship	1978-1980 Washington, DC
GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY Bachelor of Science IMGT; Graduated with High Honors	1972-1976 Atlanta, GA
HARVARD UNIVERSITY Senior Executives Program at JFK School and Business School	1996, 2006 Boston, MA