



# THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## EXECUTIVE ORDER

### BY THE GOVERNOR:

WHEREAS: On September 18, 2003, a 65 year-old man, Mr. Harold Blackstock, was brutally murdered while walking in the area of Austell Road in Cobb County.

WHEREAS: Several uniform officers and detectives responded to the area, and a thorough investigation was conducted.


WHEREAS: Several items of forensic evidence were located at the scene but no witnesses have come forward with information or a possible suspect. The investigators believe there are possible witnesses in the area that know Who was responsible for the murder.

WHEREAS: Section 45-12-36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotation provides that the Governor of the State of Georgia is authorized, in his discretion, to offer, and cause to be paid a reward for information leading to the identification, apprehension, and conviction of a person who has committed the crime of murder or voluntary manslaughter, where the victim of such a crime was a law enforcement officer acting in the line of duty at the time of the commission of such crime.

NOW, THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY

ORDERED: That a reward in the amount of \$1,000.00 is hereby offered for information leading to the identification, apprehension and conviction of individual(s) responsible for the murder of Mr. Harold Blackstock.

This 14<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2003

  
GOVERNOR