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Brookhaven Mayor learns economic development insights from Houston

Brookhaven, GA, May 17, 2013 – Brookhaven Mayor J. Max Davis joins 110 Atlanta region leaders heading to Houston, Texas today for the Atlanta Regional Commission's 17th annual LINK (Leadership, Involvement, Networking, Knowledge) trip.

The mayor departs today and returns Saturday.

The mayor will tour Houston and attend several panels that focus on sustainable community development, transportation solutions and shared recreational spaces. This "lessons learned" approach to the LINK program is designed to provide exemplary solutions for regional issues that can also be implemented in local cities.

The LINK trip is an invitation only opportunity extended to Georgia's most prestigious leaders. The cost of the trip is split between the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) and the city. Last year participants visited Washington, D.C to explore how education is transforming the greater Washington region through the reform of the D.C. Public Schools System. The ARC selected Houston for this year's trip based on the city's growing multicultural population and bustling economic opportunities.

"I'm excited to learn about what Houston has done to encourage economic growth in the area and maximize budget dollars to provide the best benefits for its residents," Davis said. "I am honored to be included in this year's trip. It will provide in-depth insights into improvement and growth opportunities that can be implemented in Brookhaven."

For more information about ARC and its annual LINK trip, visit www.atlantaregional.com. For more information about the City of Brookhaven, visit www.brookhaven.com, follow the city on Twitter www.facebook/BrookhavenGaGov.

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