



## CITY OF STONECREST, GEORGIA

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### PRESS STATEMENT

**STONECREST (January 5, 2022) | On behalf of Mayor Pro Tem George Turner and Councilmembers Tara Graves, Rob Turner, Jazzmin Cobble and Tammy Grimes:**

*“As we anticipated, Jason Lary has forfeited his position as Mayor based upon his guilty plea to federal charges earlier today.*

*We are confident that this will not affect the quality of services provided to our constituents and visitors. Newly re-appointed Mayor Pro Tempore George Turner will assume all duties and responsibilities of the mayor, just as he did when former Mayor Lary was on medical leave in 2021. The mayor’s responsibilities are largely ceremonial; thus, we do not expect that this adjustment will have a significant impact on day-to-day operations.*

*There will be a special election this year to fill the Mayoral vacancy, in accordance with provisions of our charter and Georgia state law.”*