# Alachua County, FL

# Agenda Item Summary

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Declare Confederate Plaque as Surplus and Authorize Donation to United Daughters of the Confederacy

#### Presenter:

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# Description:

Declare plaque as Surplus and Authorize Donation to United Daughters of the Confederacy

### **Recommended Action:**

Declare and classify the plaque that was on display on the Alachua County Administration Building as surplus property, and authorize the disposal of said plaque by donation to the United Daughters of the Confederacy. If donation of the plaque is not accepted by such entity within 30 days of a donation notice by the County Manager, then the Clerk of the Circuit Court may dispose the plaque as surplus tangible property in accordance with the law.

#### **Prior Board Motions:**

Aug. 22, 2023 – refer the plaque request from the United Daughters of the Confederacy to the Community Remembrance Program Committee

#### **Fiscal Note:**

N/A

#### Strategic Guide:

All Other Mandatory and Discretionary Services

### Background:

Pursuant to Section 274.05, Florida Statutes, the County may classify as surplus any of its property which is not disposed of that is obsolete or the continued use of which is uneconomical or inefficient, or which serves no useful function. Alachua County Code, Chapter 22, Article VII authorizes the disposal of County declared surplus tangible personal property to be conducted in a manner that is in the best interest of the County. If found to be in the best interest of the County, the County may donate or may offer the property to a private non-profit agency as defined in Section 273.01(3), Florida Statutes.

The Kirby Smith Chapter 202, United Daughters of the Confederacy ("Chapter") is private non-profit agency as defined in Section 273.01(3), Florida Statutes. The Chapter requested that the Alachua

County Board of County Commissioners donate to the Chapter a plaque that was once on display on the Alachua County Administration Building formerly the Alachua County Courthouse. The plaque names Civil War veterans. On August 23, 2023, the Alachua County Community Remembrance Project heard of the Chapter's donation request for the plaque, and there were no objections from the Committee. If this agenda item is approved, the Chapter will be notified of the donation and the Chapter will be given 30 days to accept and take possession of the item.