Dear ATVG members and friends,

I want to welcome you to the Association of Tennessee Valley Governments (ATVG). We are a not-for-profit 501c (4) corporation chartered in 1981. Our primary purpose is to improve communication and understanding between local governments and the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA). With nearly 1,000 local governments being served by TVA, we strive to advocate on behalf of our membership. ATVG represents local governments in Alabama, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia.

We meet quarterly within the TVA region for educational sessions and to conduct the organization’s business affairs. We recognize TVA as a major economic driver within our communities through its role as the provider of reliable, reasonably priced power, along with economic development initiatives for recreation and industrial activities. We recognize TVA must be an active environmental steward of our natural resources and we encourage TVA to remain proactive in this role.

ATVG will continue to advocate policies for our local governments and communities. We recognize that we can both support and be in opposition to various TVA policies; while fully understanding that it is through our education on the issues that we all make better decisions.

Sincerely,

Lamar Paris
2023 ATVG President
Sole Commissioner, Union County, GA