

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING CONE HEALTH FOUNDATION FOR ITS 20 YEAR
ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, celebrating its 20th Anniversary in October 2017, the Cone Health Foundation was established in 1997 by the Board of Directors of Wesley Long Hospital with the goal to promote the health of the community;

WHEREAS, upon the 1997 merger of Wesley Long Hospital with The Moses H. Cone Memorial Hospital, the Foundation's assets doubled due to a match from Cone Health, and the Foundation became a supporting organization of Cone Health;

WHEREAS, recognizing the heritage of the two hospitals that created it, the Foundation was renamed Moses Cone ~ Wesley Long Community Health Foundation, known today as Cone Health Foundation;

WHEREAS, over the past 20 years, Cone Health Foundation has distributed more than \$86 million in the form of an estimated 1,600 grants and contributions to community partners;

WHEREAS, the Foundation has championed efforts to address some of the community's health issues which include access to health care, adolescent pregnancy prevention, HIV, infant mortality, injury prevention, obesity, substance abuse and mental health;

WHEREAS, in 2010, the Foundation made access to health care, adolescent pregnancy prevention, HIV, substance abuse and mental health the focal points of its partnerships with community organizations;

WHEREAS, in addition to direct funding for its four areas of focus, the Foundation has directed grantmaking resources toward informing the public policy debate on issues such as the expansion of Medicaid in North Carolina, as well as funding advocacy and non-partisan research critical to achieving the Foundation's mission of creating the changes needed to improve health in Greensboro;

WHEREAS, going forward the Foundation recommits to advocating and offering solutions that allow the community to reach the goal of better health for all persons in Greensboro;

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to recognize and extend its appreciation to the Foundation for its contributions and work over the past 20 years throughout the community of Greensboro.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

That it recognizes Cone Health Foundation for the work and contributions it has provided to assist with improving health in the City of Greensboro, and commends the Foundation on its 20th Anniversary.