

RESOLUTION HONORING THE MEMORY OF THE LATE
DR. JOSEPHINE OPHELIA BOYD BRADLEY

WHEREAS, on September 15, 2015, this community lost one of its community leaders with the death of the late Dr. Josephine Ophelia Boyd Bradley at the age of 75;

WHEREAS, Dr. Bradley, a native of Greensboro was the first Black to integrate Greensboro (now Grimsley) High School;

WHEREAS, in 1957 Dr. Bradley graduated with honors as the first African-American person among 1,950 high school students;

WHEREAS, Dr. Bradley obtained a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from North Carolina Central University, graduating Summa Cum Laude; a Masters in Social Work from Michigan State University; and a Masters in Woman's Studies and Ph. D. in African American Studies from Emory University;

WHEREAS, her professional career included being a social worker in East Lansing Michigan, a writer, board member, department head and educator for five Universities: Southern University Baton Rouge, Louisiana; Tusculum College Greeneville, Tennessee; Agnes Scott College, Morehouse College and Clark Atlanta University in Atlanta, Georgia;

WHEREAS, Dr. Bradley served in various capacities with organizations which included the Association of Social and Behavioral Scientists; National Council for Black Studies; Family Resource Center, DeKalb County; Lupus Research Team at Emory University; and was the founding Board Member of Hope Commitment Services;

WHEREAS, Dr. Bradley was a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. and enjoyed traveling, reading and writing;

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to express its sense of loss and its sincere appreciation and gratitude for the many years of dedicated public service rendered by Dr. Josephine Ophelia Boyd Bradley, the outstanding contributions she has made to the community, and the legacy she leaves.

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

1. That the City Council hereby expresses, on behalf of the citizens of Greensboro, a deep sense of loss and a feeling of respect and gratitude for the life of Dr. Josephine Ophelia Boyd Bradley.
2. That a copy of this resolution shall be delivered to the family of the late Dr. Josephine Ophelia Boyd Bradley as a symbol of the gratitude of the people of Greensboro for her many contributions to this community.