

RESOLUTION HONORING THE MEMORY OF THE LATE
CHARLES ALVIN SANDERS

WHEREAS, on July 2, 2015, this community lost one of its outstanding community leaders with the death of the late Charles Alvin Sanders;

WHEREAS, Sanders, a native of Greensboro, attended the James B. Dudley High School where he lettered in football, basketball, and baseball;

WHEREAS, from 1966-1977 Sanders played tight end for the Detroit Lions and in 1968, he was the only rookie selected to the National Football League (NFL) Pro Bowl and went on to play six other times;

WHEREAS, Sanders spent 43 years with the Detroit Lions where, after his playing career, he was a part of the radio broadcast team for seven years as color commentator, spent eight years as an assistant where he coached receivers and tight ends, was a player personnel scout and served in the position of an assistant director of pro personnel since 2008;

WHEREAS, the Charlie Sanders Foundation was created in 2007 by Sanders as a way to provide scholarships to high school students in Michigan and North Carolina;

WHEREAS, Sanders was a loyal supporter of James B. Dudley High School, the University of Minnesota, and the Detroit Lions;

WHEREAS, his accomplishments include twice being named All-Pro, Tight End of the Decade, NFL Man of the Year, State of Michigan and University of Minnesota Hall of Fame (2013);

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 Charles Alvin Sanders, the outstanding contributions he has made to the community, and the legacy he 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 Charles Alvin Sanders.
2. That a copy of this resolution shall be delivered to the family of the late Charles Alvin Sanders as a symbol of the gratitude of the people of Greensboro for his many contributions to this community.