

RESOLUTION HONORING THE MEMORY OF THE LATE  
SHIRLEY A. HAYES

WHEREAS, on September 6, 2015, this community lost one of its community leaders with the death of the late Shirley A. Hayes;

WHEREAS, Ms. Hayes retired after a forty-year civilian and a twenty-eight-year military nursing career devoted to community health awareness and empowerment and quality health care for soldiers;

WHEREAS, Ms. Hayes graduated from the Bronx Community College School of Nursing, CUNY-Herbert H. Lehman College, Long Island University, the Columbia Presbyterian Hospital/Columbia University Pediatric Nurse Practitioner Program, and received a certificate in Women's Health Care from the Margaret Sanger Center;

WHEREAS, Ms. Hayes was initiated into the Iota Chi Chapter of the Chi Eta Phi Sorority, Inc. in 1984, served as a member of the Chapter's Community Service Committee where she coordinated Community Health Awareness outreach activities with the Bronx Chapter – Lupas Foundation of America, Inc, the Parkchester Baptist Church Health Ministry, the Bronx Community Planning Board No. 9, and the Northeast Bronx Health Care Network Navigator's Breast Cancer Awareness Program;

WHEREAS, Ms. Hayes was the Choir Director for the Chi Eta Phi Sorority, Inc. Northeast Regional and National Meetings, a member of the Jacobi Medical Center, North Bronx Hospital Community Advisory Board, American Nurses Association and the American Red Cross Volunteer Program;

WHEREAS, Ms. Hayes served as a Pediatric Clinical Instructor and a Case Manager with the Montefiore Medical Center, specializing in the Sub-Acute Rehabilitation and Home Care aspects of healthcare;

WHEREAS, her volunteerism included the Democratic Women of Guilford County, train host aboard the Amtrak Piedmont and Carolinian trains within North Carolina, and as a greeter at the Charlotte Douglas International Airport;

WHEREAS, Ms. Hayes was the first African-American Nurse to serve as Chief Nurse of the USAR 808<sup>th</sup> Station Hospital in New York, and of the 348<sup>th</sup> General Hospital in New Jersey where she also oversaw operations of three other Nursing Section Satellites between New York and Pennsylvania;

WHEREAS, as a member of the First Baptist Church in Greensboro, Ms. Hayes participated in Christian Education, Music Ministries, Women's Ministries, Vacation Bible School, the American Baptist Conferences, and the Hampton University Choir Guild Conference;

WHEREAS, Ms. Hayes received many recognitions including the 2013 Hearts of Carolina Region American Red Cross Distinguished Service Award, the 2014 Chi Eta Phi Sorority, Inc.,

Northeast Region Soror of the Year, 2014 Montefiore Einstein Medical Center Cancer Center “Cancer Survivor of the Year”, 2014 Presidential Volunteer Service Award, the 2015 North Carolina Governor Pat McCrory Citation for 10 years of service with the North Carolina Volunteer Train Host Association, and most recently received the Honorary Member of the Hughsonville, New York Fire Department;

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 Shirley A. Hayes, 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 Shirley A. Hayes.
2. That a copy of this resolution shall be delivered to the family of the late Shirley A. Hayes as a symbol of the gratitude of the people of Greensboro for her many contributions to this community.