

RESOLUTION HONORING THE MEMORY OF THE LATE
MARY JUNE DARDEN WARD

WHEREAS, on September 20, 2015, this community lost one of its community leaders with the death of the late Mary June Darden Ward at the age of 99;

WHEREAS, a native of Hertford County, Ms. Ward graduated from Murfreesboro High School in 1932 and at age 16, she commuted to Greensboro by train and enrolled at The Woman's College of the University of North Carolina where she earned an Elementary Education Degree in 1936;

WHEREAS, her teaching career began in the City of Burlington and continued in Lewisville, and Winston Salem;

WHEREAS, Ms. Ward was an active member of the Colonel Joseph Winston Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, The Garden Study Club, and The Women's Club of Winston Salem;

WHEREAS, as a member of the Centenary United Methodist Women in the 1970s, she led the project to stitch Avis Gallagher's needlepoint designs as kneelers for the chancel rail at the church;

WHEREAS, Ms. Ward assisted in the organization of the National School Superintendents Association conference in Winston Salem, was appointed by Governor James B. Hunt to the Historic Murfreesboro Commission in 1994, and was named an Emeritus Member in 2010 by the Secretary of Cultural Resources;

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 Mary June Darden Ward, the contributions she has made to our 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 Mary June Darden Ward.
2. That a copy of this resolution shall be delivered to the family of the late Mary June Darden Ward as a symbol of the gratitude of the people of Greensboro for her many contributions to this community.