

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING CROWN FORCES MONUMENT DAY

WHEREAS, Guilford County was named for Francis North, 1st Earl of Guilford, when established in 1771 by the North Carolina Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the Battle of Guilford Courthouse fought on March 15, 1781 was a significant military engagement in The American War of Independence; and

WHEREAS, the Crown Forces of Great Britain were composed of British, German, and American army units; and

WHEREAS, the Crown Forces Monument is presented to the Guilford Courthouse National Military Park through contributions from private sources donated through the Guilford Battleground Company which was founded in 1887 to preserve the battlefield; and

WHEREAS, the monument will enrich the historical, educational, and cultural heritage of our community: and

WHEREAS, the historically significant battlefield lies within the boundaries of the city; and

WHEREAS, the dedication day of the Crown Forces Monument at the Guilford Courthouse National Military Park will take place on March 13, 2016.

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

That in acknowledgement of the historical significance of the battle and in a spirit of recognition and reconciliation with former foes who are now allies and partners that in the City of Greensboro, North Carolina the dedication day of the Crown Forces Monument at the Guilford Courthouse National Military Park on March 13, 2016, in the two hundred thirty-fifth anniversary year of the battle be known as Crown Forces Monument Day.