

RESOLUTION HONORING THE MEMORY OF THE LATE  
CLARA CARTER FIELDS

WHEREAS, on June 1, 2016, this community lost one of its outstanding community leaders with the passing of the late Clara Carter Fields;

WHEREAS, Ms. Fields was a native of Yadkinville, North Carolina where she attended public school, and excelled in visual arts and voice;

WHEREAS, Ms. Fields' musical talents led her to be part of a musical group that performed in homes, churches, community centers, and on commercial radio as well as being the local backup singers for renowned artists such as Shirley Caesar and Clara Ward;

WHEREAS, upon graduation from high school Ms. Fields attended Bennett College where she continued to excel in music, visual arts, and movement, and received her Bachelor of Science degree in elementary education in 1959;

WHEREAS, Ms. Fields first job was at WB Wicker School in Sanford, North Carolina and during her 35 year professional career she was a member of The American Teachers Association, The National Education Association (NEA), North Carolina Teachers Association, North Carolina Classroom Teachers Association, North Carolina Association of Educators (NCAE), and the Greensboro Retired Association of School Personnel;

WHEREAS, during her activities with professional, civil, community, and religious organizations throughout her life, she was an active member of Concerned Citizens of North-East Greensboro, East Side Civitan Group, Bennett College Alumnae Association, and the NAACP;

WHEREAS, Ms Fields was a longstanding and faithful member of Trinity AME Zion Church;

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to express its sense of loss and sincere appreciation and gratitude for the many years of dedicated public service rendered by Clara Carter Fields, 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 Clara Carter Fields.
2. That a copy of this resolution shall be delivered to the family of the late Clara Carter Fields as a symbol of the gratitude of the people of Greensboro for her many contributions to this community.