

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING TRINITY A.M.E. (AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL)
ZION CHURCH ON THEIR 125TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

WHEREAS, in 1891 Reverend Dr. William H. Goler let forty Zionites who had come to Greensboro from Chatham County for better educational and financial opportunities to form what is known today as Trinity A.M.E. Zion Church (Trinity) with the first structure located at the corner of Washington and Gilmer Streets;

WHEREAS, Trinity membership grew to 600 during its greatest growth between 1910 and 1960;

WHEREAS, Trinity relocated to East Florida Street under Reverend Cecil Bishop's leadership in 1966 when a new sanctuary with a capacity of 800 was completed. Under his leadership, the church also purchased "Trinity Gardens Apartments", a housing community of two and three bedroom apartments for low income families;

WHEREAS, a successful campaign to liquidate the mortgage on the new structure took place during the leadership of Reverend Edgar A. French from 1975 through 1979;

WHEREAS, the former Reverend Cecil Bishop was elected to Bishop during the 41st Quadrennial General A.M.E. Zion Conference held in May, 1980 under the leadership and direction of Reverend Vaughn T. Easton who led the church from 1979 through 1982;

WHEREAS, Reverend Joseph Johnson, D. Min. who led Trinity from 1982 through 1992 was elected a Bishop in the A.M.E. Zion Church at the Quadrennial General Conference in Atlanta in July, 1992;

WHEREAS, Trinity was led by Reverend Michael A. Frencher, D.Min. from 1992 through 2012 during which time the public address system and interior lighting in the sanctuary were updated. Dr. French was elected the 101st Bishop in the line of succession in the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church in July 2012;

WHEREAS, the Quadrennial General Conference of the A.M.E. Zion Church was hosted by Trinity in 2000 and 2004;

WHEREAS, under the leadership of the current pastor, Reverend Dr. Daran H. Mitchell, the church is making an impact with the Marketing Ministry, a new website, the Caregivers Ministry, the Praise Team, Evangelism, Discipleship Ministry, Women's Ministry, Media Ministry, College Ministry "CMB", Takeover Tuesday, Young Adult Bible Study and the Morning Manna prayer line;

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to extend its congratulations to Trinity A.M.E. Zion Church on their 125th year anniversary.

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

That it hereby recognizes Trinity A.M.E. Zion Church on their 125th year anniversary; and the contributions it makes to the community.