

RESOLUTION HONORING THE MEMORY OF THE LATE
REVEREND PETER ERIC ADOTEY ADDO

WHEREAS, on April 14, 2017, this community lost one of its outstanding community leaders with the passing of the late Reverend Peter Eric Adotey Addo;

WHEREAS, Reverend Addo, a native of Accra, Ghana, West Africa, attended the Accra Academy where he obtained the Cambridge University School Leaving Certificate, went on to graduate from Wesley College in Kumasi, Ghana, and before coming to the United States in 1957, he received a Cocoa Board scholarship;

WHEREAS, Reverend Addo received an undergraduate degree from Allen University, a master's degree from Atlanta University, and a degree in religion from the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, Georgia;

WHEREAS, from 1966 to 1988 Reverend Addo served as a Chaplain at Bennett College as well as interim pastor for various United Methodist Churches including Browning Chapel United Methodist Church, Saint Home, Raleigh Cross Road, Zion Hill, and Peace United Methodist Church;

WHEREAS, Reverend Addo served as a full-time United Methodist minister from 1988 until his retirement in 1997 at Collins Grove-Bass Chapel Charge in Greensboro, Port City Charge, (Faith Saint Paul and Morrows Chapel, Mooresville, NC), Madison Circuit, (Hayes Chapel, Withers Chapel and Saint Stephens United Methodist Churches in Rockingham, NC), and Stokes Counties;

WHEREAS, from 1988 through 1992 Reverend Addo served as a member of the Commission on Health and Human services and the Board of the Deaf Ministry of the Western North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church;

WHEREAS, Reverend Addo served as a member of the Board of Ordained Ministry of the Statesville District of the Western North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church, member of the Governor's Big Brothers/Big Sisters One on One Advisory Council for Iredell County, and as a teacher at the 1993 Lay Speakers' Training Sessions;

WHEREAS, Reverend Addo debuted as a poet and storyteller in the 1957 symposium, Voices of Ghana, and his works which include an anthology of poems, Talking Drums, and two collections of African folktales, Ghana Folktales and How the Spider Became Bald have been published in several languages and countries including Africa and the United States;

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 Reverend Peter Eric Adotey Addo, the outstanding contributions he has made to the community, and the legacy he leaves.

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

1. That the City Council wishes to express its condolences, and offer its sincere appreciation and gratitude for Peter Eric Adotey Addo's many years of dedicated public service. His legacy will be remembered by the outstanding contributions he has made to the community.
2. That a copy of this resolution shall be delivered to the family of the late Peter Eric Adotey Addo as a symbol of the gratitude of the people of Greensboro for the many contributions to this community.