RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE NORTH CAROLINA A&T STATE UNIVERSITY FOOTBALL TEAM

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Agricultural &Technical State University Football (NC A&T) team had a 21-14 victory over Grambling State in the third annual Celebration Bowl held in Atlanta, Georgia on December 16th;

WHEREAS, the win allowed the team to have its third undefeated season in NC A&T history and the first undefeated season in Mid-Eastern Atlantic Conference (MEAC) history;

WHEREAS, Quarterback Lamar Raynard was named MEAC Offensive Player of the Year, and selected as a finalist for the Deacon Jones Award for the best black college football player in the country to be presented by the Black College Hall of Fame in February;

WHEREAS, Junior Running Back Marquell Cartwright was named the 2017 Celebration Bowl Offensive MVP;

WHEREAS, the win was head coach Rod Broadway's fourth Historically Black College or University (HBCU) national championship;

WHEREAS, Coach Broadway was named MEAC Coach of the Year;

WHEREAS, this was the first Football Championship Subdivision HBCU team to finish a season unbeaten and untied;

WHEREAS, NC A&T has received numerous All American Honors from various organizations including the Associated Press, STATS FCS, Phil Steele Magazine and the American Football Coaches Association, and this was the ninth MEAC Football Title in school history;

WHEREAS, the City Council, on behalf of the citizens of Greensboro wishes to recognize and congratulate the NC A&T Football Team on its third undefeated football season and its 2017 Celebration Bowl Championship.

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

That it hereby recognizes and congratulates the NC A&T Football Team on its third undefeated football season and its 2017 Celebration Bowl Championship.