

RESOLUTION HONORING THE WORK OF DR. JOYCE MARTIN DIXON

WHEREAS, Dr. Joyce Martin Dixon, a 1956 graduate of Bennett College, is an American businesswoman, educator, and philanthropist;

WHEREAS, Dr. Dixon was co-founder and co-owner of Creative Management Technology, Inc., a contracting firm based in Cocoa Beach, Florida, which provided services to government agencies, including NASA, for many years;

WHEREAS, after relocating back to Greensboro in 2006, Dr. Dixon became the largest alumna donor in the history of her alma mater, Bennett College in 2011, and she has continued to fund additional improvements and other projects related to the College;

WHEREAS, the Martin Dixon Intergenerational Center, located on the Bennett College Campus in her honor, is a laboratory preschool used by elementary education majors and other academic disciplines researching young children and early education;

WHEREAS, she serves as a key sponsor to the Motivational Foundation, aiding the organization in taking high school youth on bus tours to visit Historically Black Colleges and Universities throughout the country annually, and has impacted high school students from the Greensboro area and as far north as Flint, Michigan;

WHEREAS, Dr. Dixon received an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters from Bennett College for her Philanthropy, as well as a “Woman of Substance” award;

WHEREAS, throughout her career, Dr. Dixon has served as chair of the Brevard Community College Board of Trustees, Vice Chair of the Astronauts Memorial Foundation Board, Director of the Southern Area Links, Inc., and currently serves on the Hayes Taylor Memorial YMCA Board of Management;

WHEREAS, she was the recipient of the United Negro College Fund’s “Outstanding Alumna” award, and was named as Brevard County’s “Woman of Distinction”;

WHEREAS, Dr. Dixon has dedicated herself to shaping the futures of our students by offering them an experience of collegiate exposure and scholarship;

WHEREAS, the Greensboro City Council wishes to extend recognition to Dr. Dixon for her contributions to the community.

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

That it hereby recognizes Dr. Joyce Martin Dixon for her works and contributions to society and the City of Greensboro.