

RESOLUTION TO HONOR THE MEMORY OF  
THE LATE MARVIN BENJAMIN GRAEBER

WHEREAS, the late Marvin Benjamin Graeber was born in Kannapolis, North Carolina on September 19, 1920; and passed away on June 26, 2020 at the age of 99, in Greensboro, North Carolina;

WHEREAS, Mr. Graeber began his faith journey upon his baptism on Easter Sunday 1921 at Mount Calvary Lutheran Church, Kannapolis, North Carolina; was a faithful member of Grace Lutheran Church in Greensboro; served as Elder and President of the Men's Club; and served on the Board of Directors for the Southeastern District of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod as Precinct Chairman;

WHEREAS, Mr. Graeber graduated from George Washington Carver High School, Kannapolis, in 1939; later attended and graduated from the North Carolina Agricultural and Technical College (now known as the North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University aka NC A & T) in 1949 with a Bachelor of Science degree; and had memberships with Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, the Mu Psi Chapter, and the Tau Omega Chapter of Omega Psi Phi;

WHEREAS, Mr. Graeber continued his education by receiving a Master of Science Degree from the University of Illinois Champaign-Urbana;

WHEREAS, straight out of high school, Mr. Graeber joined the United States Army in 1939 serving two years in foreign theaters before a honorable discharge in 1941; and then re-enlisted in 1951 due to the Korean Conflict;

WHEREAS, spending thirty (30) years as a dedicated employee, Mr. Graeber held employment until his retirement at NC A & T between 1953 and 1983;

WHEREAS, during his tenure at NC A & T, Mr. Graeber filled several roles such as Assistant Dean of Men, Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds and Campus Police; Associate Director of the Physical Plant; and was appointed by the North Carolina Department of Justice to serve as a Campus Police Officer from 1962 to 1972;

WHEREAS, endless dedication to his community is undisputable through the many offices and positions Mr. Graeber held which included President of the Greensboro Citizen's Association, Director of the Mid-East Region of the NC A & T Alumni Association, NC A & T Foundation Board of Directors, Treasurer of the NC A & T Sports Hall of Famers, the Greensboro Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; President of the Knight Family Reunion, and Chairman of the Guilford County Board of Social Services;

WHEREAS Mr. Graeber also received recognitions, honors, and awards such as the Silver Beaver Award from the Boy Scouts of America, the American Theater Medal, European/African/Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, with four Bronze Stars, the Asiatic-Pacific Medal, the Good Conduct Medal, the Guilford County Democratic Party Chairman's Award,

City of Greensboro Senior of the Month in 1987, NC A & T Hall of Fame Award of Excellence; the Citizen of the Year and Founder's Day Awards from the Tau Omega Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, and was inducted into the NC A & T Sports Hall of Fame for Baseball; and

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 the many years of dedicated public service of the late Marvin Benjamin Graeber. His legacy will be remembered by the outstanding contributions he made.
2. That a copy of this resolution shall be delivered to the family of the late Marvin Benjamin Graeber as a symbol of the gratitude of the people of Greensboro for his devoted support and contributions to the community.