RESOLUTION TO HONOR THE MEMORY OF THE LATE BILLY EUGENE ADAMS

WHEREAS, the late Billy Eugene Adams was born in Wayne County, North Carolina September 13, 1942; was the 7th of 10 children; was nicknamed "Bit"; grew up in the Best Station Community in rural Wayne County; and passed away on February 12, 2020 at age 78 in Greensboro, North Carolina;

WHEREAS, he attended Wayne County Public Schools; graduated from Central High School in Goldsboro in 1959; received his Bachelor of Science degree from North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University (A&T) in 1968; and later earned his master's degree in Social Science Education;

WHEREAS, Mr. Adams enlisted in the United States Airforce in 1960 where he served as Air Policeman on active duty; served two years in the Air Force Reserves; and was honorably discharged in 1968;

WHEREAS, he worked with special needs children in Guilford County Schools; taught in Greensboro and High Point; and served as Assistant Principal at Graham High School in Alamance County;

WHEREAS, Mr. Adams worked in the Greensboro Public Libraries Circulation Department; and at the North Carolina A&T State University in the Archives Department where he retired in 2014;

WHEREAS, he wrote and produced a series of books on children and discipline addressing antisocial behavior, anti-learning behavior, unwise decisions to use tobacco, drugs or alcohol; and to engage in unwise behaviors and habits causing unfavorable outcomes: "ISS Student Handbook I: A Handbook for In-School Suspension Students", ISS Student Handbook II: A Survival Guide for Today's Imperiled Youth," and "ISS: A Manual for In-School Suspension Teachers;"

WHEREAS, Mr. Adams faithfully attended Jackson Chapel AME Zion Church, LaGrange, North Carolina where he served in numerous capacities including Deacon and Trustee; and was affiliated with Saint James Holiness Church, Greensboro, North Carolina and High Point Deliverance Temple, High Point, North Carolina;

WHEREAS, he was an avid Lakers basketball fan; enjoyed playing chess, checkers and ping pong; enjoyed signing Karaoke as the "Karaoke King" as he impersonated various well-known artists; 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 Billy Eugene Adams. 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 Billy Eugene Adams as a symbol of the gratitude of the people of Greensboro for his devoted support and contributions to the community.