RESOLUTION DECLARING THE MONTH OF AUGUST BLACK PHILANTHROPY MONTH

WHEREAS, Dr. Jacqueline Copeland-Carson of Pan-African Women's Philanthropy Network (formerly affiliated with AWDF USA) established the month of August as Black Philanthropy Month in 2011 with recognition by the United Nations as part of its Declaration of 2011 as the International Year for People of African descent;

WHEREAS, Black Philanthropy Month is an annual, global celebration of African descent giving in all its forms;

WHEREAS, the month-long observance invites all people of African ancestry and allied brothers and sisters to celebrate August and beyond to promote the power of giving to transform lives;

WHEREAS, Black communities have vested reasons to celebrate and renew their rich, shared traditions of giving, self-help, and innovation throughout the United States and the world;

WHEREAS, an extraordinary legacy of philanthropy and ongoing achievement in philanthropy merit a concerted effort to lift up important stories, spotlight good work, educate the generations and inspire giving;

WHEREAS, understanding and generosity are instrumental to improving social, educational, economic and health outcomes in Black communities;

WHEREAS, the citizens of Greensboro are asked to celebrate the cultural richness and philanthropic spirit of the community in which to live, work, and play during the month of August; and

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

That it hereby declares the month of August Black Philanthropy Month.