

RESOLUTION TO DECLARE JOSHEPHUS THOMPSON III WITH AN HONORARY
DESIGNATION OF POET LAUREATE FOR THE CITY OF GREENSBORO, NORTH
CAROLINA FOR ONE YEAR

WHEREAS, the City of Greensboro recognizes the long, diverse and rich history of the arts as an important element of our community;

WHEREAS, the City of Greensboro supports the arts; promotes poetry and literacy; and is seeking ways to make the arts more vibrant and accessible to all residents;

WHEREAS, the poet laureate compose poems that raise consciousness to a greater appreciation of arts and poetry;

WHEREAS, the Greensboro City Council resolves to declare Josephus Thompson III with an honorary designation of Poet Laureate for the City of Greensboro for one year;

WHEREAS, Poet Josephus Thompson is a self-employee artist with a focus on spoken word poetry; has participated for 14 years in The Poetry Café, Greensboro's longest running poetry event; creates opportunities for up and coming poets through creative summer camps and writing workshops;

WHEREAS, it has been said of Poet Josephus Thompson, that he believes in feeding the mind, body, and soul through his art; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO NORTH CAROLINA DECLARES JOSHEPHUS THOMPSON III AN HONORARY DESIGNATION OF POET LAUREATE FOR ONE YEAR TO BE EFFECTIVE JUNE 6, 2023- JUNE 6, 2024.