

RESOLUTION HONORING THE MEMORY OF THE LATE
GREENSBORO POLICE DEPARTMENT SERGEANT PHILIP DALE NIX

WHEREAS, on December 30, 2023, the City of Greensboro and the Greensboro Police Department lost an outstanding Law Enforcement Officer with the passing of Sergeant Philip Dale Nix, while even off duty, still worked to uphold his values as an officer of the law;

WHEREAS, as a native to Greensboro, Sergeant Nix was born on February 2, 1973; attended Smith High School; and graduated with an English degree from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro;

WHEREAS, bearing the Nix name, a name well known throughout Greensboro and the state of North Carolina, Sergeant Nix was born into a long line of devoted first responders and public safety professionals within the Greensboro Fire Department (GFD); Sergeant Nix stepped outside family tradition, as he was the first to serve as a public servant with the Greensboro Police Department (GPD);

WHEREAS, the Nix family has provided a combined total of 157 years, since 1971, of public service to the City of Greensboro to the GPD and GFD;

WHEREAS, Sergeant Nix began his career as a 911 tele-communicator, where he learned critical crisis response and de-escalation skills;

WHEREAS, he then joined the Greensboro Police Department with the 79th Police Basic Introductory Course (PBIC) Academy in 2001;

WHEREAS, being identified early in his 22-year tenure with GPD, Sergeant Nix served many roles including a Financial Crimes Detective, a Patrol Corporal, a Patrol Sergeant, a Police Training Officer, Detective Sergeant of the Family Victims Unit (FVU), served as a Team Leader for the Peer Support Team, the Assistant Team Leader of the GPD Honor Guard, served as a member of the United States Secret Service Financial Crimes Task Force, and the United States Attorney's Identity Theft Task Force;

WHEREAS, Sergeant Nix served on the Elder Justice Committee, the Domestic Violence High Risk Team, Family Justice Center High Risk Case Review Team, routinely assisted with the Friends Against Fraud, the Vital Signs Programs while in his role as Supervisor of the FVU; and the Alliance for HOPE International Training Institute on Strangulation Prevention, where he served as a faculty member;

WHEREAS, Sergeant Nix's expertise was recognized throughout the GPD, the community, and nationally due to his passion for serving victims of abuse and his exceptional collaborative skills; he was also nationally recognized as a leader through the National Family Justice Center Alliance and the Training Institute on Strangulation Prevention, being invited to present on Homicide Prevention and Intervention; additionally he was one of Guilford County's leading experts on Non-Fatal Strangulation Investigation; and a longtime member of the Greensboro Police Officer's Association;

WHEREAS, he was recognized within the Department and awarded the Greensboro Merchant Association's Crime Prevention Award, the Department's Superior Service Bar, and an Advanced Law Enforcement Certificate;

WHEREAS, while he will be respectfully remembered for his advocacy for domestic violence victims, his leadership in the GPD Honor Guard, as an outstanding officer, and multiple other law enforcement roles, he is also remembered as a loving husband and father, who made family his priority, was protective, caring, dedicate and purposeful; and as an attentive family man who enjoyed home projects, remodeling and was an avid reader;

WHEREAS, the Greensboro City Council wishes to express its sense of loss and sincere appreciation and gratitude for the years of dedicated public service rendered by Greensboro Police Department Sergeant Nix, the outstanding contributions he made to the community and the legacy he leaves with us all; 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 his years of devoted service to the community and dedicated public service. His legacy as a lifesaver and a difference-maker will be remembered by the outstanding contributions he made to the community, friends, colleagues, and family.
2. That a copy of this resolution shall be delivered to the family of the late Sergeant Philip Dale Nix as a symbol of the gratitude from the people of Greensboro for his many contributions to this community.