

RESOLUTION NAMING DECEMBER 21, 2024 NATIONAL HOMELESS PERSONS'
MEMORIAL DAY

WHEREAS, December 21, 2024 marks the first day of winter and is the longest night of the year;

WHEREAS, the National Coalition for the Homeless and the National Health Care for the Homeless Council have designated December 21, 2024 as National Homeless Persons' Memorial Day;

WHEREAS, the City of Greensboro, the City of High Point and Guilford County have jointly designated December 21, 2024 as National Homeless Persons Memorial Day;

WHEREAS, in the season of generosity and sharing, residents of Guilford County are encouraged to commit themselves to promoting compassion and concern for all, particularly during the winter months that pose extreme hardships for residents who are less fortunate and without homes;

WHEREAS, homelessness continues to be a serious challenge for many Guilford County citizens who have the right to adequate food, housing, clothing, safety and healthcare;

WHEREAS, homelessness significantly increases one's risk of illness, injury and death;

WHEREAS, the Homeless Memorial Services will take place in the City of High Point on Tuesday, December 17th; and the Walk of Remembrance will take place in City of Greensboro on Wednesday, December 18, 2024 to honor those who have passed away in 2024 as a result of homelessness;

WHEREAS, by joining together and remembering our neighbors, we can honor their lives by working to provide solutions to end homelessness within Guilford County.

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

That December 21, 2024 is hereby named National Homeless Persons' Memorial Day in The City of Greensboro to remember those who have died homeless and to encourage citizens to come together to celebrate their lives by working to resolve the factors that lead to homelessness within the community.