

RESOLUTION TO HONOR THE MEMORY OF  
THE LATE GREENSBORO POLICE DEPARTMENT,  
OFFICER MICHAEL “MIKE” HORAN

WHEREAS, on December 23, 2024 the Greensboro Police Department and the community lost a hero and valued community member with the passing of the late Greensboro Police Department Officer Michael “Mike” Horan;

WHEREAS, Officer Horan was born on May 4, 1980 in Fitzgerald, Georgia; served as a lifeguard and first aid /cardiopulmonary resuscitation instructor in Beach Haven, New Jersey, and graduated from Northwest High School in Greensboro, North Carolina in 1998, where he was a member of both the wrestling and the football teams;

WHEREAS, Officer Horan began his military career with the United States Coast Guard in January 2000; served as a Law Enforcement Officer, Tactical Fast Boat Instructor, a Search and Rescue Operator; and was selected for Maritime Safety and Security Team 91101 in Seattle;

WHEREAS, Officer Horan conducted harbor defense operations in New York City and Washington, DC following the September 11 attacks; throughout his tours of duty, Officer Horan was stationed in North Carolina, Virginia, Washington, St. Thomas US Virgin Islands, New York, and New Jersey; and led counter-terror, counter-narcotics, and counter-human trafficking missions;

WHEREAS, Officer Horan was recognized and highly decorated to include awards such as: three (3) Coast Guard Achievement Medals; five (5) Commandant Letters of Commendation; six (6) Good Conduct Awards; two (2) Reserve Good Conduct awards; three (3) Special Operations awards; a Sea Service Ribbon; an Overseas Service Medal; and was the Coast Guard’s Enlisted Person of the Year in 2015 and 2019;

WHEREAS, he joined the City of Greensboro, North Carolina (NC) Greensboro Police Department (GPD) in September 2017; entered the 103<sup>rd</sup> Police Basic Introductory Course Academy; in February 2018, was sworn in as a City of Greensboro, NC police officer; and became a reservist in the US Coast Guard;

WHEREAS, during his time with the GPD, Officer Horan served on the Violent Crime Reduction Team, Crimes Against Persons Unit, and in Patrol Districts 2 and 4; was a member of the Special Events Team; and was an instructor for rapid deployment and active shooter training;

WHEREAS, while on family vacation at Emerald Isle, NC, Officer Horan knowingly and willingly entered a rip tide and swam 60 yards offshore to save a father and son from drowning; for such a brave and selfless act, Officer Horan was awarded the Lifesaving Award from the GPD; and was recognized by the US Coast Guard for his heroism;

WHEREAS, Officer Horan was known as a dedicated family man, and will be dearly missed by family, friends, and colleagues; 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 service Officer Michael “Mike” Horan offered to Greensboro and to his country.
2. That a copy of this resolution shall be delivered to the family of the late Greensboro Police Department Officer Michael “Mike” Horan as a symbol of the gratitude of the people of Greensboro for his dedicated service and contributions to the community, state, and nation.