

**Resolution Honoring The
2018 Outstanding Women Leaders February Recipients**

WHEREAS, according to the National Women’s History Project, it is important to share the stories of individual women “who have successfully challenged the role of women in both business and the paid labor force. Women have always worked, but often their work has been undervalued and unpaid.” It is important to honor trailblazing women “who persisted nevertheless;” and

WHEREAS, Mayor Pro Tempore Vivian H. Burke and the City of Winston Salem will acknowledge the strength and effectiveness of women leaders in Winston-Salem at a recognition program on March 22, 2018, which marks the 15th annual Outstanding Women Leaders program; and

WHEREAS, the Outstanding Women Leaders program has previously recognized 142 chief executive officers, doctors, attorneys, and women of numerous professions as an effort to shine a light on the significant contributions made by women leaders in the community; and

WHEREAS, four of this year’s honorees, who exemplify leadership characteristics are:
Leslie Alexander, Reynolds High School Principal; Martha Fler, philanthropist and former Dean of the Salem College Continuing Studies and Evening College, renamed in her honor “Martha H. Fler Center of Adult Education”; Addie Hymes, retired Winston-Salem/Forsyth County School System Parent Coordinator; and Marcellette Orange, retired YMCA Leadership Development Consultant; and

WHEREAS, the hard work and accomplishments of all women are valued and appreciated by the Mayor, Mayor Pro Tempore Vivian H. Burke, Winston-Salem City Council and the citizens of Winston-Salem.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Winston-Salem City Council approve honoring the aforementioned 2018 Outstanding Women Leaders and wishes them much success as they continue their efforts in leading the next generation of women leaders.