

**RESOLUTION BY THE MAYOR AND WINSTON-SALEM CITY COUNCIL TO
DEDICATE AND RENAME THE WINSTON-SALEM FAIRGROUNDS CLOCK TOWER
IN HONOR OF THOMAS W. FREDERICKS**

WHEREAS, for more than 32 years, Mr. Thomas W. Fredericks faithfully served the citizens of Winston-Salem since his arrival in September 1972 after graduation from Pennsylvania State University with a Master of Public Administration degree followed by an internship in State College, Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, from 1987 to 2004, Mr. Fredericks served the City of Winston-Salem with distinction as the Assistant City Manager for Operations, having previously served as Director of Budget and Evaluation and as Administrative Assistant to the City Manager; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure, Mr. Fredericks provided key oversight in the growth and construction of many of the City's public assembly facilities, including:

- Development of master plans for renovations of four of the City's major parks,
- Planning, design, and construction of Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum,
- Planning, design, and construction of major improvements to the City Fairgrounds, and
- Planning, design, and construction of major improvements to the Benton Convention Center, Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum, Bowman Gray Stadium, and Ernie Shore Field; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Fredericks was the driving force behind having a focal point built on the fairgrounds during major renovations that included:

- Development of a master plan for renovations of the fairgrounds,
- Planning, design, construction, and relocation of the carnival midway,
- Planning, design, and construction of the Education Building,
- Planning, design, and construction of new fencing, gates, utility improvements, and a pedestrian plaza,
- Planning, design, and construction of the Annex building, which contained ice facilities,
- Planning, design, and construction of the Neil Bolton Home & Garden Building; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Fredericks provided equally valuable leadership for the operation of city government through his oversight of such projects as contracting out print shop and mail services; bringing managed competition to fleet services; developing TV13, CAT-TV, and the WePlay monthly television show; and providing staff support for the City's successful bond referenda in 1983, 1985, 1987, and 2000; and

WHEREAS, all citizens benefitted from Mr. Fredericks's coordination of City participation in such special events as the 1996 Olympic Torch Relay; the Tour DuPont Bike Races in 1993, 1994, and 1995; and the CIAA basketball tournaments from 1994 through 1999; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Fredericks was instrumental in overseeing the \$8.4 million renovation of City Hall that brought the building into compliance with the current fire code; equipped the building with new electrical, data, and ventilation systems; restored the Council Chamber and the Council Committee Room much to their original appearance; and put City Hall on the National Register of Historic Places; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Fredericks was involved with many other projects too numerous to mention that materially benefitted the city, its residents, and its employees; and

WHEREAS, in retirement, Mr. Fredericks continued his service to the City of Winston-Salem, serving on the Public Assembly Facilities Commission from October 2005 through November 2012, including a term as chair. He currently serves as vice chair of the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee, which monitors the use of City bonds approved in the 2014 bond referendum; and

WHEREAS, the Dixie Classic Fair, as an event, wishes to retain event sponsorships of the Clock Tower that provide significant revenues for the fair; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Allen Joines has requested that the Clock Tower be renamed the "Thomas W. Fredericks Clock Tower."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Winston-Salem City Council that the Clock Tower on the Winston-Salem Fairgrounds be dedicated and renamed the "Thomas W. Fredericks Clock Tower" in honor of Mr. Fredericks in accordance with the Council's policy for renaming City-owned facilities.