RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR A FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT AND STREETSCAPE ENHANCEMENT PROJECT IN THE PATTERSON/GLENN RUCA AREA

WHEREAS, in an effort to address the blighted commercial properties located at the highly visible and heavily traveled intersection of Patterson, Glenn, and Greenway Avenues, City staff is exploring the prospect of a façade improvement and streetscape enhancement project for the properties fronting Patterson Avenue; and

WHEREAS, proposed streetscape enhancements in the public right-of-way could include new on-street parking, a new pedestrian sidewalk, granite curbing, pedestrian level lighting, and landscaped bump outs for tree planting; and

WHEREAS, potential façade improvements to the privately owned buildings include multi-tone painted storefronts, awnings, and architectural cladding; and

WHEREAS, an architect conducting preliminary work for the project estimates a total project cost of approximately \$334,000 including approximately \$306,000 for construction costs and the balance of \$28,000 for design; and

WHEREAS, all of the work proposed to the structures is limited to addressing the aesthetics of the subject properties; and

WHEREAS, in anticipation of a potential project, staff has secured signed release forms and waivers of liability from all impacted property owners granting staff, contractors, and agents of the City access to their properties for the purpose of further assessment, repair, and/or construction related to the proposed project; and **WHEREAS,** if approved, staff will work with the architect to finalize drawings and the scope of work and put construction of the project out to bid pursuant to the City's standard bidding process.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Winston-Salem that funding as set forth in the associated Council Action Request Form is approved for a façade improvement and streetscape enhancement project in the Patterson/Glenn RUCA area.