



**Wake County Board of Commissioners
Resolution in Recognition
of
Betty Lou Ward, Commissioner
Wake County Board of Commissioners**

WHEREAS, the Wake County Board of Commissioners wishes to honor and recognize Betty Lou Ward for her service and dedication to the citizens of Wake County; and,

WHEREAS, Mrs. Ward began her career in public service in 1988, when she was elected to serve for District 6 on the Wake County Board of Commissioners; and,

WHEREAS, Mrs. Ward has served as a Wake County Commissioner for 28 years, and is recognized as one of the longest serving Commissioners in Wake County and in the State of North Carolina; and,

WHEREAS, Mrs. Ward has held many leadership positions during her career , including Chair of the Wake County Board of Commissioners, President of the N.C. Association of County Commissioners and President of the National Association of Counties, and was inducted into the N.C. Association of County Commissioners' Hall of Fame in 2011; and,

WHEREAS, Mrs. Ward is recognized as a champion and advocate in the areas of education, health care, affordable housing and improved transportation initiatives designed to improve the lives of all citizens regardless of social or economic status; and,

WHEREAS, the Wake County Board of Commissioners wants to express its gratitude toward Mrs. Ward for her dedication, leadership and love for this community and its citizens; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Wake County Board of Commissioners hereby proclaims that Mrs. Ward has led a career of exemplary public service and leadership that's benefited Wake County, the State of North Carolina and the nation.

Adopted this, the 21st day of November, 2016.

James West, Chairman
Wake County Board of Commissioners