

Item Title: Resolution Recognizing Betty Lou Ward, County Commissioner

Specific Action Requested:

That the Board of Commissioners recognizes Betty Lou Ward, County Commissioner and adopts the attached resolution.

Item Summary:

Commissioner Betty Lou Ward has served as an elected official in Wake County for 28 years. Through the years, she has held various National Leadership, Public Service and Community Activities positions, and has received many Awards and Recognitions, as outlined below:

NATIONAL LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

- July 1998–July 1999 President, National Association of Counties
- July 1997–July 1998 First Vice President, National Association of Counties
- 2005 Vice Chair, Health Committee, National Association of Counties
- 2000–2008 Chair, Arts and Culture Committee, National Association of Counties
- 1997 Chair, Bylaws Committee, National Association of Counties

PUBLIC SERVICE & COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

- Vice Chair, Wake County Board of Commissioners, 2010
- Wake County Commissioner since December 1988
- Commissioners' Chair for 1999–2000; Vice Chair, 1998–1999
- Chair, Board of Commissioners Growth Issues Task Force Committee 2009–2010
- Chair, Commissioners' Human and Community Services Committee, 2001 and 2002
- Chair, Arts and Culture Committee 2016
- Vice Chair, Commissioners' Budget, Finance and Education Committee, 2002
- Member, Commissioners' Budget, Finance and Education Committee, 2001
- Co-Chair, Local Government Partnership Council
- Co-Chair, Human Services Automation Planning Council of North Carolina
- National Council on Air Quality Standards
- Board of Directors, Wake Education Foundation
- Board of Directors, United Arts of Raleigh and Wake County
- Board of Trustees, Communities in Schools
- North Carolina PTA (Lifetime Member)
- Past President, North Carolina Association of County Commissioners
- Past Chair, Wake County Social Services Board
- Past member, Wake County Board of Health, the Raleigh Planning Commission and the Wake County Council on Fitness and Health

AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

- Academy of Women
- Triangle Business Journal's Ten Most Powerful Women in the Triangle, 1998

Attachments:

1. Resolution