

**Office of the Mayor
City of High Point
North Carolina**

PROCLAMATION...

WHEREAS, National Homelessness Awareness Month, along with National Homeless Youth Awareness Month, is celebrated annually in November with the purpose of drawing attention to the needs of people experiencing homelessness, and to expand awareness of the issue of youth homelessness. This month highlights the work needed to prevent homelessness among children and teens, and brings public awareness to opportunities available for individuals, organizations and the community to become involved in responding to homelessness; and

WHEREAS, various circumstances change the dynamics in households that create hardships, which can lead to homelessness and difficulty for some in obtaining necessities, which has become more prevalent throughout the United States and the world; and

WHEREAS, there are many contributing factors that exacerbate current homelessness issues, including the shortage of affordable housing for extremely low-income residents, unemployment, medical expenses, loss of parental support, and other hardships. However, no one should have to worry about whether they or their family members will have a roof over their head; and

WHEREAS, everyone can play a role in helping homeless individuals and families achieve success through neighborhood associations, faith-based and community organizations, businesses, nonprofits, as well as policy makers and private citizens. So, it is important that we consider those who are less fortunate and participate in anti-poverty initiatives and efforts that benefit the homeless community.

NOW THEREFORE I, Cyril Jefferson, Mayor of High Point, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim November, as

**NATIONAL HOMELESSNESS AWARENESS and NATIONAL HOMELESS
YOUTH AWARENESS MONTH**

and ask our citizens to recognize that many people do not have housing and encourage support of our housing and service providers that are dedicated to eradicating homelessness.

**WITNESS my hand and the Corporate
Seal of the City of High Point, North
Carolina, this the 4th day of November
2024.**

Cyril Jefferson, Mayor