Office of the Mayor City of High Point North Carolina

Resolution...

WHEREAS, The City of High Point has made strong progress toward food security and improved educational resources for all residents; and

WHEREAS, High Point University (HPU) is committed to the welfare of the citizens of the City and HPU students under the leadership of Dr. Nido Qubein, have volunteered over one million hours of service to the City of High Point; and

WHEREAS, since 2013 HPU has partnered with the Federal AmeriCorps Volunteers in Service to America (VISTA) program so HPU graduates could each serve in High Point over the course of a year to improve food security or education; and

WHEREAS, HPU provides free housing, meals, leadership, and other resources so the VISTAs can be successful in the work they do; and

whereas, the City of High Point aims to attract more young professionals to live, work, play and serve here. The City Council would like to encourage residents of High Point to welcome the VISTAs into our community, get involved in their projects, and help them find ways to make a living in our city after they complete their year of service.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the High Point City Council commends and supports the AmeriCorps VISTAs, for their sacrifice, their service to the City, and all of the gifts and skills they will bring to their work. High Point will be a stronger City because of their dedication, service, and passion. Together we will make High Point a vibrant and livable community for all our residents and visitors.

Iyanna Salters — VISTA Leader — HPU
Dihandra Williams — VISTA Leader — HPU
Grant Hines - Student Engagement VISTA - HPU
Zakiya Payne — Community Engagement VISTA — Communities in Schools of High Point
Martin Enriquez — Mentorship VISTA — Carl Chavis YMCA
Sarah Barlow — Food Justice VISTA — Greater High Point Food Alliance
Abby Forrence — Health and Education VISTA — D-UP
Hassan Allah — Enrichment VISTA — Community Writing Center
Kyle Smith — Immigrant & Refugee VISTA — World Relief Triad
Demetri Turner — Resilience VISTA — Resilience High Point
Josh Cameron — Persistence VISTA — YWCA
Kathryn Shumaker — Partnership VISTA — High Point Schools Partnership
Dani Rubio — Food Entrepreneurship VISTA — Growing High Point
Recia Wright — Neighborhood Engagement VISTA — Macedonia Family Resource Center

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Lauren Riley - Museum Volunteer Coordinator - Qubein Children's Museum

Kimberly Drye-Dancy - Robert G. Culp, Jr. Executive Director for the Center for Community Engagement – HPU Lovelle McMichael - Assistant Director for the Center for Community Engagement – HPU

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Seal of the City of High Point, North Carolina this 16th day of January, 2024.

Cyril Jefferson, Mayor