

A RESOLUTION

A Resolution expressing appreciation of the Columbus Council for meritorious service rendered Columbus by Ms. Evelyn Turner Pugh.

WHEREAS, Evelyn Turner Pugh was elected to the Columbus Council in 1988 to serve the citizens of District 4 and has admirably served their interests through her recent retirement on October 31, 2019;

WHEREAS, she was elected by her fellow Councilors as Mayor Pro-Tem in 2007 and held this position with distinction until 2019;

WHEREAS, Mayor Pro-Tem Pugh received her Bachelor's Degree in Management and Accounting in 1976 and her Masters of Business Administration in 1985 from Columbus College, now Columbus State University;

WHEREAS, she worked as Internal Auditor, Lead Financial Analyst and as Manager of Columbus Financial Operations for BlueCross BlueShield of Georgia from 1991 - 1999;

WHEREAS, she then worked as a Vice President and Licensed Insurance Agent for SunTrust Bank, West Georgia and would also serve as Branch Manager of the Columbus SunTrust Main Office;

WHEREAS, Mayor Pro-Tem Pugh served as Budget Review Chairperson for the Consolidated Government for many years; was appointed by Lieutenant Governor Mark Taylor to the Georgia Public Defense Council in 2003; received the One Columbus 2002 Service Award; was appointed by Governor Zell Miller to the Georgia Policy Council on Children and Families, to the University of Georgia Carl Vinson Institute of Government Advisory Committee and to the MHMRSA Regional Board from 1994 - 2001;

WHEREAS, she has held numerous positions for the National League of Cities, including the NLC Public Safety and Crime Prevention Steering Committee, the NLC Juvenile Justice Re-authorization Act of 1996, the NLC Crime Prevention Advisory Council from 1997 - 1998, and the NLC Advisory Board;

WHEREAS, she was elected Georgia Municipal Association President for 1999 - 2000, served as GMA 1st Vice President in 1998 and served numerous years on the GMA Executive Board, and was elected chair of the Women in Municipal Government Section of GMA in 1995;

WHEREAS, Evelyn Turner Pugh has also served her community through work on the American Cancer Society Board of Directors, Liberty Theatre Board of Directors, Springer Theatre Board of Directors, RiverCenter Board of Directors, the Muscogee County Excellence Educational Foundation, the Girls, Inc. Board of Directors, the St. Francis Hospital Board of Directors, and has served her beloved Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority since 1972, including a term as President from 2000 - 2004;

WHEREAS, the countless accomplishments of Mayor Pro-Tem Evelyn Turner Pugh are worthy of special recognition by this Council.

NOW THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS GEORGIA HEREBY RESOLVES:

We hereby commend and congratulate Mayor Pro-Tem Evelyn Turner Pugh upon her retirement on October 31, 2019 and express our deep appreciation to her for her dedicated years of service to this Council, the citizens of Columbus, Georgia, our state and our nation. We wish her continued happiness and success in her retirement.

Let a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to Mayor Pro-Tem Turner Pugh.

Presented at the CCG Proclamation/Resolution Session of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held on the 12th day of November, 2019 and adopted by a vote of ten members of said Council.

Councilor Allen	<u>yes</u>
Councilor Barnes	<u>yes</u>
Councilor Crabb	<u>yes</u>
Councilor Davis	<u>yes</u>
Councilor Garrett	<u>yes</u>
Councilor House	<u>yes</u>
Councilor Huff	<u>yes</u>
Councilor Thomas	<u>yes</u>
Councilor Thompson	<u>yes</u>
Councilor Woodson	<u>yes</u>

SANDRA T. DAVIS
CLERK OF COUNCIL

B.H. "SKIP" HENDERSON, III
MAYOR