

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, CITY OF GREENVILLE

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WHEREAS, the City of Greenville believes in the dignity and worth of each individual regardless of race, color, gender, national origin, age, ability or familial status;

WHEREAS, the City of Greenville promotes and maintains a spirit of goodwill, tolerance, and mutual respect among individuals, groups, races, and persons of differing social and economic status and religious beliefs;

WHEREAS, the citizens of the City of Greenville work daily to build strong communities through diversity. They have made tremendous progress in human relations in the years since the establishment of the Good Neighbor Council and its successor, the Human Relations Council. The Human Relations Council seeks to serve as an "advocate for all people in pursuit of human and economic relationships, to promote activities, education and programs which enhance human dignity, equal opportunity, mutual respect and harmony among the many different citizens of Greenville";

WHEREAS, the City of Greenville appreciates all of the citizens who have contributed, and continue to contribute to the advancement of mutual understanding, fairness, justice, and equal opportunity for all people;

WHEREAS, in celebration of Human Relations Month and upon the recommendation of the Human Relations Council, the City of Greenville bestows special honor and recognition to the families of the late Dr. Andrew A. Best and the late Dr. Malene G. Irons for the service and inspiration they brought to our community. In memory of their contributions, the Best-Irons Humanitarian Awards were named in their honor to recognize outstanding individuals and businesses that have exemplified service and commitment to human rights, dignity and equality for all citizens; and

WHEREAS, we look forward to continued progress in facing the challenges before us.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Patricia C. Dunn, Mayor of the City of Greenville, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim the month of February, 2010 as

HUMAN RELATIONS MONTH

in Greenville and commend this observance to our citizens.

This 1st day of February, 2010.

Patricia C. Dunn, Mayor