

COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 2021-19

WHEREAS, on August 3, 1987, Traci A. McDowell began her career with the City of Dover's Finance Department serving as the Administrative Assistant until April 1998 when she joined the City Clerk's Office. Mrs. McDowell was appointed as the Assistant City Clerk and Assistant Treasurer on May 11, 1998. On May 17, 2006, Mrs. McDowell was appointed as the City Clerk and Assistant Treasurer. Mrs. McDowell will conclude her 34 years of exemplary service on August 3, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. McDowell has served in each of her positions with a high level of integrity and has been a model of professionalism who has met every new challenge head on. She has dedicated her career to assisting elected officials to make certain that their constituents receive the help they need and with her wealth of knowledge she has been an asset to every part of the City. Mrs. McDowell has been a transformative leader and continuously provided solid guidance to Council members and City Staff and has created a positive learning environment within the City Clerk's Office; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. McDowell has processed hundreds of ordinances and resolutions and has attended countless Council, Committee, Commission and Board meetings while providing accurate minutes. She has been instrumental in bringing the City Clerk's Office and Council into the 21st century by implementing paperless packets, the broadcasting of meetings, and making information easily accessible to the public through the City's website while ensuring transparency. Also, during the COVID-19 pandemic, Mrs. McDowell developed processes that allowed citizens to participate in meetings virtually that would protect their health and wellbeing while guaranteeing they had the ability to be heard.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council recognize that Traci A. McDowell will be sorely missed and express their sincere appreciation to her and her family for the dedicated years of service and personal sacrifices made on behalf of the City of Dover, and wish her and her family success in all future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council direct the City Clerk to make this resolution a part of the permanent records of the City of Dover as a lasting symbol of appreciation and gratitude to Traci A. McDowell.

ADOPTED: JULY 26, 2021

ROBIN R. CHRISTIANSEN MAYOR

COUNCIL PRESID