

## City of Radford

Resolution Honoring Dr. Annie Pearce Recipient of the "Robert Allen Hall Humanitarian Service Above Self Citizenship Award"

WHEREAS, the City of Radford wished to honor Robert Allen "Big Al" Hall by establishing a Humanitarian Service- Above-Self Citizenship Award in 2011, and

WHEREAS, the establishment of this award recognizes unsung heroes that contribute to making the City of Radford a better place, and

WHEREAS, a humanitarian is recognized as one who extends benevolence and kindness, by putting others before one's self, and

WHEREAS, Dr. Annie Pearce has given back to the Radford community in which she calls home through service on the Planning Commission for seven and a half years; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Annie Pearce is an Associate Professor at Virginia Tech teaching sustainable facilities and infrastructure, which has led her to pursue class projects beneficial to Radford; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Pearce's class came up with a new approach to increase the quality of life for cats within the Animal Shelter, known as the Panther House; and

WHEREAS, the Panther House became a community effort, through fundraising for the project, and Dr. Pearce's students helped to construct the playroom for shelter cats; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Pearce is giving back Radford through service and education, with upcoming projects to enhance the way of life in Radford including: River Recreation Access for Disabled Users, Railroad Crossing for Bike Trail Extension, Sustainable Splash Park Design for Bisset Park and Radford Transit Modifications to Support Recreational Tourism; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Annie Pearce and her students are always brainstorming new and innovative ways to improve the quality of life for citizens in Radford; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Pearce is a perfect example of a resident that is invested in the community where she resides, by donating of time and educational capital into Radford without hesitation.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Radford City Council does hereby honor Dr. Annie Pearce for her dedication and service to the City of Radford, by presenting her with the Robert Allen "Big Al" Hall Humanitarian Service-Above-Self Citizenship Award.

ATTEST Lugh & Wilder

Adopted: December 11, 2017