



Proclamation

On a motion from

Councilor Butch Kirven

Members of Greenville County Council wish to recognize

Dr. Yvonne Duckett

for her outstanding work and service to Greenville County

WHEREAS, Dr. Yvonne Duckett, Executive Director of Greenville County Human Relations, has received the 2024 MLK Leadership Award from Alpha Psi Alpha; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Duckett, originally from Orangeburg, South Carolina, is a proud graduate of South Carolina State and earned a doctorate from Grand Canyon University, which she has used through her career in education, counseling, staffing, and as the leader of Greenville County Human Relations; and

WHEREAS, for more than a decade in Greenville County, Dr. Duckett has skillfully and passionately led Human Relations, fostering an attitude of service and care among her staff that created a nationally recognized department who promotes equal opportunity, fair housing choices, and financial empowerment for citizens; and

WHEREAS, under her leadership, thousands of citizens have benefited from the Human Relations' professionally-staffed group workshops and one-on-one sessions that focus on maintaining or securing home ownership in fiscally responsible ways, while many others have benefited by attending financial literacy classes that help citizens navigate daily financial challenges while preparing for the future.

NOW, THEREFORE, Greenville County Council honors the outstanding achievements of Greenville County Human Relations, and acknowledges Dr. Yvonne Duckett for her outstanding leadership as she continues to guide her talented team on a mission to improve our quality of life by providing equal opportunity for financial stability and success, and we celebrate Dr. Duckett's transformative contributions to our community, the national attention she brought to us via her winning the Bloomberg Cities for Financial Empowerment award, and her inspirational leadership that has created wonderful community partnerships that have impacted generations of citizens.

Signed this 16th of January, 2024

Dan Tripp, Chairman
Greenville County Council