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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Joanna Moore Leach, a citizen of the Town of Pittsboro, was born on September 26, 1915, in Chatham County, North Carolina, during the Presidency of Woodrow Wilson, six months before American forces under General Pershing first participated in World War I, one week before the UNC Tar Heels defeated the Citadel football team by a score of 14 to 7, and during a period that came to be known as “the Great Migration” from 1910 to 1920, when African Americans by the thousands moved to Northern industrial cities to find work to fill labor shortages created by World War I; and

WHEREAS, Joanna Moore Leach has been a dedicated citizen of the United States of America for these 100 years, witnessing and experiencing the terms of seventeen United States Presidents while living, working, volunteering and worshipping in the Town Pittsboro, North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, during her lifetime she worked for nineteen years in the medical clinic of Dr. K. M. Mathiesen which operated in downtown Pittsboro from 1938 to 1967 and she worked in the McGhee Pharmacy for about four years; and

WHEREAS, in June 1935 she was married to Robert Defossett Leach, her husband of 43 years, and subsequently raised three children with him here in the Town of Pittsboro; and

WHEREAS, she has served her community as a life-long member of the Mount Sinai AME Church in the Town of Pittsboro; and

WHEREAS, on behalf of the people of the Town of Pittsboro, I declare that we are honored to count Joanna Moore Leach among our most honored citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, William G. Terry, Mayor, do hereby designate September 26, 2015 as:

**A DAY OF CELEBRATION OF THE 100TH BIRTHDAY OF
JOANNA MOORE LEACH
IN THE TOWN OF PITTSBORO**

and urge all citizens to celebrate and join in the special recognition of this honored member of our community.

This the 14th day of September, 2015.

William G. Terry, Mayor

ATTEST:

Alice F. Lloyd, CMC, NCCMC
Town Clerk