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RESOLUTION: In Honor of Dorothy Buckeridge Nesbitt for Her Service to New Hanover County

WHEREAS, Dorothy Buckeridge Nesbitt, born on April 2, 1922, died Tuesday, Feb. 4, 2014 in Wilmington. Ms. Nesbitt, formerly of Wrightsville Beach, was a dancer, teacher, and longtime supporter of the arts; and

WHEREAS, Dorothy Nesbitt was politically active, intellectually and artistically inclined. Dorothy became a local pioneer of the arts introducing the concept of dance to local school curriculums and Wilmington College; she performed at Thalian Hall; she started the first Community Arts Center in Wilmington; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Nesbitt used the humanity found in the arts and dance as a tool for racial integration and understanding. In 1966, Look magazine published a photograph of one of her desegregated children's dance classes; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Nesbitt was an active Democrat, and her work had a lasting impact on the community and educational systems of New Hanover County. Those who knew her were touched by her life. Dorothy's life was an inspiration for community service and progressive politics.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the New Hanover County Democratic Party honor Mrs. Dorothy Nesbitt for her contributions to the betterment of our community with this memorial.

Affirmed & Adopted By
Precinct H-3

Elizabeth Porto, For Chair 3/3/14