

The following resolution was approved by the DNC Resolutions Committee at its meeting on August 19, 2010, and is recommended for adoption by the Democratic National Committee at its meeting on August 20, 2010.

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Resolution Honoring the Life and Career of Susan Burgess

WHEREAS, Susan Burgess was born in Charleston, WV, and grew up in St. Albans, WV; and

WHEREAS, she received a bachelor's degree in health science from Florida International University and a master's degree in public health from the University of Alabama-Birmingham; and

WHEREAS, Susan Burgess served on the Charlotte Mecklenburg Board of Education from 1990 until 1997, serving as chair from 1995 to 1997; and

WHEREAS, she was elected to the Charlotte City Council in 1999, serving as Mayor Pro Tem for six years; and

WHEREAS, she chaired the City Council Economic Development Committee and served on the Community Safety, Transportation, Environment and Government Affairs Committees; and

WHEREAS, she was the City Council representative to the Centralina Council of Government; and

WHEREAS, Susan Burgess served for six years as chairperson of the North Carolina Teaching Fellows Commission; and

WHEREAS, in 2008, she served as president of the North Carolina League of Municipalities; and

WHEREAS, she served for two years on the board of the National League of Cities; and

WHEREAS, she was president of Women in Municipal Government; and

WHEREAS, Susan Burgess served as chair of the National Democratic Municipal Officials Conference; and

WHEREAS, Susan Burgess served on the Executive Committee of the Democratic National Committee (DNC) from 2006 to 2008 and she was currently serving as a state-elected member of the DNC; and

WHEREAS, she was on the Executive Committees of the North Carolina Democratic Party and the Mecklenburg County Democratic Party and in these roles was an enthusiastic advocate for holding Democratic Party meetings in Charlotte; and

WHEREAS, on June 16, 2010, she passed away at her home in Charlotte after a battle with cancer;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the DNC honor her life and extend its condolences to her family.