



**City of Hamlet  
Memorial Proclamation  
Dr. Fred McQueen**

**WHEREAS**, on behalf of the City of Hamlet, we wish to extend our sincere condolences over the recent passing of Dr. Fred McQueen; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Fred McQueen served this community in the medical field, beginning in 1974 at Richmond Memorial Hospital Emergency Room and then recruited by Hamlet Sandhills Medical Center in 1977; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. McQueen opened his own practice in 1980 and continued to serve the community until his retirement at the end of 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Fred McQueen served his country in the U. S. Army; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. McQueen served as the President of the Richmond County Chapter of the NAACP for more than 30 years; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Fred McQueen was the first black doctor to serve as President of the Richmond County Medical Society; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. McQueen was awarded the Order of the Long Leaf Pine in January, 2016; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Fred McQueen earned the respect, admiration and high regard of all with whom he came into contact; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. McQueen's death leaves our community with a deep feeling of sorrow for the loss of such an honored and respected citizen.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, on behalf of the City of Hamlet, Hamlet City Council extends its sincere sympathies upon Dr. Fred McQueen's passing on April 30, 2023, this 9th day of May, 2023.

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Bill Bayless, Mayor

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City Clerk