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## Board approves annexation timetable

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Aldermen Larry W. Womble and Nelson L. Malloy Jr. were the sole dissenters Monday night when the city board approved a schedule for an annexation that would bring 8,000 people into the city.

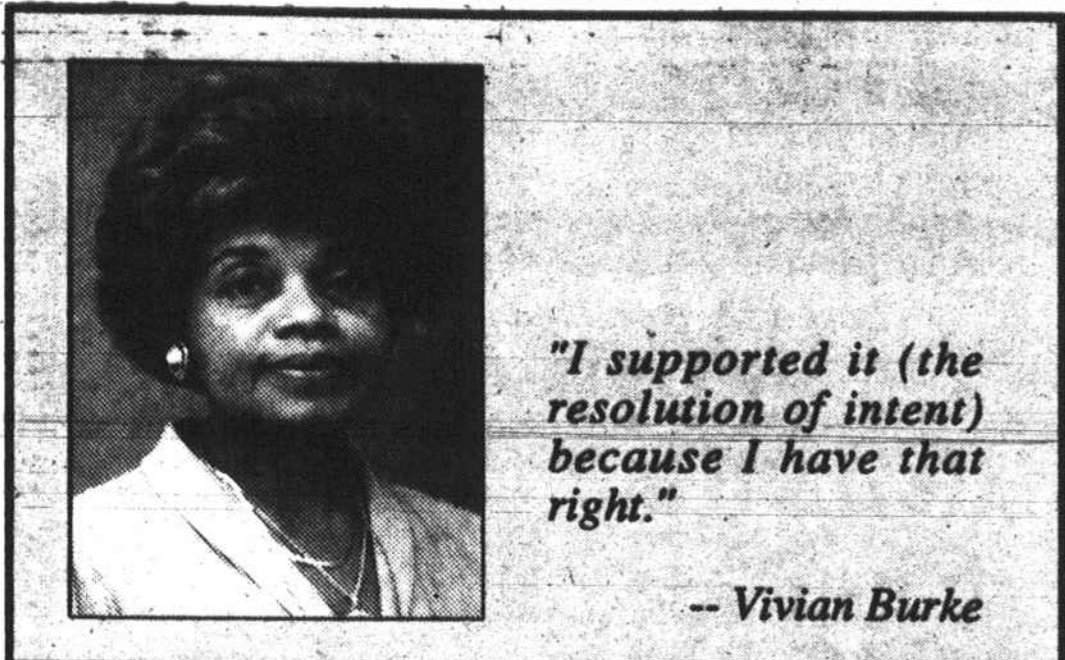
Although she said she does not favor annexations that dilute Afro-American voting power, Northeast Ward Alderman Vivian H. Burke

voted with Aldermen Lynne S. Harpe, Robert S. Northington Jr., Nancy T. Pleasants and J. Hugh Wright (Virginia K. Newell was absent) in improving a resolution of intent which sets a timetable for the annexation process. The resolution puts into motion the first phase of the annexation process. During the next two years the city is planning on undertaking two major annexations, the first of which could be approved by aldermen on June 4

and go into effect in June 1991. Alderman Burke told the *Chronicle* last week that she could not support annexation because it would dilute the Afro-American vote. Before the vote, Mrs. Burke made it clear that she was not voting for annexation. However, unlike Alderman Womble - who said he realized supporting a timetable for annexation did not mean he was supporting annexation, but still opted to vote against the resolution

of intent because he opposes forced annexation - Mrs. Burke approved of the annexation calendar. In an interview Tuesday, Mrs. Burke explained why she voted for the resolution of intent. "They (the white aldermen) had the votes to do it anyway, and there are people in my area, who live in the northern most part of my ward, who may want to have the opportu-

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"I supported it (the resolution of intent) because I have that right."

-- Vivian Burke

## Historic civil rights protest reenacted

Plaque erected in honor of four who sat at lunch counter

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Thirty years ago, David Richmond stood in the commons area of North Carolina A&T State University's campus and waited for some of his buddies. They had something important to do, but deep inside, he said, he was hoping they wouldn't come. But his pals did show up that Feb. 1, 1960 afternoon, and the four together launched a sit-in movement that would sweep through the South.

Last week, on the occasion of the 30th anniversary of the historic Woolworth's lunch-counter sit-ins, the Greensboro Four, sitting in the lobby of one of the largest hotels in the city, talked about the events and attitudes that led to their bold actions.

"We felt anxiety but we also felt a need to express our leadership," said Joseph McNeil, whom the other three credit with the idea to stage the sit-in at Woolworth's. "But I think people all over the country felt that way."

Mr. McNeil and Mr. Richmond, along with fellow freshmen, Ezell Blair Jr. (now Jibreel Khazan) and Frank McCain, purchased supplies at Woolworth's and then took a seat at the store's lunch-counter. Realizing that blacks were not allowed to be served in the store, the four nonetheless politely asked for service. They were refused service by the store's waitress who informed them that Woolworth's did not serve blacks. But the four persisted, arguing that the store did indeed serve blacks because they had been served at another store counter

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## Greensboro Sit-In ... 30 Years Later



Photo by Talib Sabir-Calloway

Standing over the likeness of their footprints, the Greensboro Four who sat at a Woolworth lunch counter 30 years ago this month see their names memorialized forever. From left are Jibreel Khazan (Ezell Blair), Franklin McCain, Joseph McNeil and David Richmond.

## Redistricting unfair to black students, some say

By TONYA V. SMITH  
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The fact that Afro-American elementary students will be spending more time on their school bus is not the major concern of blacks who opposed the creation of a new district for Piney Grove Elementary School, said the Rev. William S. Fails, a candidate for the city-county Board of Education. More important is what that increased transportation will mean in the areas of student performance and student safety, he said.

Monday night the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Board of Education approved creating another district, from which students would be pulled, for the new Piney Grove Elementary School slated to open in August. Cash and Kernersville elementary schools' districts will be rezoned from two to three. Afro-American students will come from a satellite district in East Winston. Those students in grades one through five now spend about 45

minutes, one way, to get to their elementary school. That time will increase to one hour each way when the students are enrolled in Piney Grove.

Rev. Fails, an outspoken advocate of black children's rights, said, "I hope folks don't get the wrong impression about our children spending so much time on the bus. Not a whole lot of the complaints were about them riding the bus. The concerns were about the dangers of traveling country roads and highway interstates in rush hour traffic.

"Also, the amount of time it takes the children to get to school and from school cuts down on their productivity in school and prevents them from doing some of the things they have to do at home. All of this combined adds a certain amount of frustration to the child's day."

Teachers will most likely be insensitive to the frustrations the Afro-American youth are facing, added Rev. Fails, who pastored Hanes Memorial CME Church until he was assigned by his bishop to pastor Mount Carmel

CME Church in Anderson, S.C.

"We'd be foolish to say that the kids don't enjoy the bus ride because they do because they like to go. But they will be tired from the long ride," Rev. Fails said. "It also seems to us that there are more black kids spending excess time on the bus than are white kids. Not having a school that is germane to our neighborhood forces our kids to spend a disproportionate time on the bus.

"With the advent of neighborhood schools or schools in our community, we could get an equitable distribution of who rides the bus and possibly put the shoe on the other foot for a change and see the complaints come at us from white parents.

"If we did all this to achieve racial desegregation, maybe we need to rethink what we want for all children. If the children are not at their best when it's time to perform, a tag of mediocrity is placed on them. They need

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## Developer trying to get Lowe's Foods in E. Winston

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Intense negotiations are underway between the developer of a shopping center slated for East Winston and potential anchor tenants - among them are representatives with Lowe's Foods.

Herman L. Turner, the developer of the New Walkertown Market Shopping Center has been courting anchor tenants for more than seven months and trying to persuade them to locate in the \$4 million project, which could provide up to 150 new jobs for East Winston Residents.

"We are negotiating with a number of grocery stores, Lowe's Foods being one of those grocery stores,

and we are very encouraged by the negotiations," said Mr. Turner.

Nearly six months ago, Mr. Turner said he was about 45 days away from finalizing a deal with an anchor tenant. He explained that the process has been such a lengthy one because of the location of the project and the amount of the investment. He has estimated that the facility the grocery store constructs will be a \$1.1 million investment.

"The grocery stores just are not certain about the long term viability or profitability of the East Winston market," he said. "We have had to spend a lot of time working with them proving the site - presenting graphics information to them depicting consumer spending in the

area of consumer goods. Because this is a pioneer project, it takes a lot of time to get them comfortable with the project."

Phase one of the market is already underway. The city Board of Aldermen agreed in November to act as guarantor for a \$350,000 loan to build an ABC store on an out parcel of the site. New Walkertown Market will be built on 9.3 acres of land located off New Walkertown Road between Dellabrook Road and Gerald Street.

Extended negotiations and other arrangements have somewhat delayed the project which was first scheduled for a spring 1990 opening and that was extended to the summer of 1990. Mr. Turner said he hopes to finish

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**Winston-Salem Chronicle NewsUpdate**

**Gantt announces**  
Harvey Gantt, former mayor of Charlotte along with his wife announced, before a crowd of well-wishers and supporters, his intention to put his name in contention for the Democratic party's U. S. Senator. Citing Jesse Helms as the only enemy and his true opponent, Gantt pledged to run a clean campaign.

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