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HONORING A KING

Martin Luther King Jr.'s hope for humanity

By Alice Bernstein Guest Writer

As we observe the federal holiday honoring Dr. Martin Luther King's courageous life with his opposition to racism, poverty and war, I am moved to look anew at a poem about justice and the hopes of humanity by Eli Siegel, the great American poet and founder of the ed-

ucation Aesthetic Realism.

Something Else Should Die A poem with rhymes By Eli Siegel In April 1865 Abraham Lincoln died. In April 1968 Martin Luther King Jr. died. Their purpose was to have us say, some day:

Injustice died. With enormous respect, Siegel sees two men of different races, living in different centuries, united in opposition to injustice. And the music of this poem, with the names given such meaningful weight, has us feel the reality of both men we feel they are alive, warm,

Abraham Lincoln, as King recognized, wanted slavery to end, and considered the Emancipation Proclamation "the central act of my administration and the great event of the 19th century." His assassination by John Wilkes Booth, a man who hated equality for anyone with skin different from his own. Siegel wrote in his note to this individual attitude supreme. the war in Vietnam. It was so with the killing of



"Racism Can End" Speakers at Eli Siegel Day celebration in Baltimore, (I-r) Captain Allan Michael, Dr. Jaime R. Torres, NYC teacher Monique Michael, Dr. Arnold Perey.



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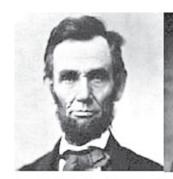
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Martin Luther King Jr."

King is loved for his bravery, sincerity and enormous energy in fighting for justice to poem: "[T]he killing of Lin- Poor People's Campaign to end ilege of being in that class, and outside world" is the cause of

In 1968 in Memphis, he was of King's large meaning.

Siegel

murdered after standing up for striking sanitation workers. Soon after the news broke, Siegel, in an Aesthetic Realism people of all races including in class, read the poem he had just the Civil Rights movement, the written. I had the immense priv-

Siegel's passion against injustice is the most beautiful thing I know. He explained that contempt – the desire in every person to "think we will be for ing for more deeply than they ourselves by making less of the know.

1996-2019), Chair of the **House Over**sight Committee (Jan 3, 2019-Oct 17, 2019). fighting against. And Siegel explained that the alternative

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Racism won't be effectively done away with unless it is replaced with something that has terrific power. What needs to replace it is not the feeling that the difference of another person

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Monument of slain Voting **Rights activist Vernon** Dahmer unveiled in downtown Hattiesburg

On the lawn of the Paul B. Johnson Chancery Court building, where Forrest County Circuit Clerk and Registrar of Voters Theron Lynd once schemed to do everything in his power to stop the county's black residents from voting, a monument now stands of the Vernon Dahmer, the slain voting rights activist who went head-to-head with him and other segregationists.

Dahmer died helping his wife and children escape their home

in 1966 as the Ku Klux Klan firebombed the house.

His widow, Ellie Dahmer, unveiled the statue before a crowd of hundreds who came out to honor her husband's legacy in downtown Hattiesburg January 6. After his death, she ran for and won a seat on the Forrest County Election Commission in

The base of the statue memorializes his words in large letters: "If you don't vote, you

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Vernon Dahmer Statue unveiled in Hattiesburg (MS) as wife Ellie Dahmer, elected officials and people from the community look on

Senator Doug Jones emphasizes the importance of the 2020 black voter turnout



Doug Jones and Benjamin Chavis Jr. in conversation.

By Stacy M. Brown NNPA Newswire Correspondent

The importance of black voter turnout, the reauthorization of the Voting Rights Act, bipartisan politics, the Futures Act and environmental justice, counted among the topics candidly tackled during a historic fireside chat between National Newspaper Publishers Association (NNPA) President and CEO Benjamin F. Chavis Jr., and Alabama's Senator Doug Jones, a Democrat.

Held inside the Hart Building at the U.S. Capitol in Washington, D.C., the engaging hour-long conversation

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Harvard Law School's first deaf-blind graduate joins the company as a D&I consultant



Hitting a Straight Lick with a **Crooked Stick**



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Hinds County appoints new public defender

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The Honorable Judge Tomie Green, senior Hinds County Circuit Court judge, presented Attorney Gail Wright Lowery as her appointee to be Hinds County's public defender to the Hinds County Board of Supervisors, January 6.

The Hinds County Board of Supervisors unanimously accepted Lowery's appointment, which comes as Michelle Purvis Harris, Hinds County's former public defender, officially retired December 31, 2019 after serving 2-four year terms.

Packing an impressive resume, Lowery has impeccable legal credentials. A life-long resident of Hinds County, she is committed to leading a dedicated crew of assistant public defenders who will provide competent representation to the citizens of Hinds County who have been charged with felonies and are otherwise unable to secure proper representation.

Lowery will begin serving as public defender February 1. In the interim, Attorney Ray Carter will serve as acting public defender

About the Hinds County Public Defender's Office

The Public Defender handles all duties involved in managing

Lowery

indigent defendants' court cases.

Responsibilities of the office include:

- providing clients with legal representation during all phases of a case
- preparing and presenting their defense
- ensuring the timely submission of legal documents and reports.

An outstanding public defender should be able to defend criminal cases successfully and maintain cooperative working relationships with all stakeholders.

Jackson Municipal Airport Authority appoints Paul A. Brown chief executive officer

Mississippi Link Newswire

The Jackson Municipal Airport Authority (JMAA) has appointed Paul A. Brown as the new chief executive officer

Brown is a graduate of Florida A&M University where he earned a dual bachelor's degree in economics and business administration and master's degree in business administration.

Delivering more than 25 years of experience in non-aeronautical revenue generation, specifically in airport concessions development and management, Brown is regarded as one of the industry's leaders in analysis, forecasting and trending.

His industry experience includes positions held at Seattle-Tacoma (SEA), Chicago O'Hare (ORD) and Washington Reagan National (DCA) airports.

Prior to joining JMAA, Brown was the assistant general manager for commercial development at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (ATL) where he oversaw the division responsible for properties and airline affairs, concessions, parking, advertising, external real estate development, air service development and innovation.

As director of concessions in ATL, he led the design, evaluation and selection process for the world's largest single airport concessions' request for proposal (RFP). This RFP featured 152 pre-existing and new spaces for retail as well as food and beverage in



Brown

the atrium and on all seven concourses throughout the airport.

"I am delighted to be joining the talented staff at JMAA," stated Brown. This is a significant appointment for me, and I look forward to making the authority more successful in the coming months and years, and to supporting the JMAA board in the achievement of its strategic initiatives. My wife, Jill, and I also look forward to working on social issues that are important to the Jackson community."

"On behalf of the Board of Commis-

sioners, we are exceptionally excited to welcome Mr. Brown to the JMAA family as the chief executive officer," stated JMAA Board of Commissioners Chairwoman LaWanda D. Harris. "His experience, knowledge and strong capabilities will well position this organization in progressing the JMAA Strategic Plan 2021 and being the motivational drive to enhance pride and productivity within our organization and community. The process of selecting the next CEO for JMAA has been grueling yet rewarding. Our flow of success stories is a true testament to the hard work and diligence of Darion Warren's tenacity while leading the organization as the interim CEO. We are grateful to him for his leadership during this transition. As chairwoman of the Board of Commissioners, I have the utmost confidence that Brown will uphold the JMAA values and mission as we elevate to the next level of Being Your Airports of Choice."

A northern California native, Brown is married to Jill Brown, who is also a career airline and aviation professional. They are both very involved in their local community and support several initiatives to end homelessness, end human trafficking and introduce minority and at-risk youth to the numerous careers in aviation. They look forward to joining and contributing to the

Jackson, Mississippi community.



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marked the first time that a sitting U.S. Senator sat down for a live-streamed video with the Black Press of America.

During the discussion, Jones said that voter turnout – particularly that of African Americans – was crucial to his stunning upset of Republican Roy Moore in the Alabama special election in 2017.

"The right to vote was hard fought for African Americans in this country, and I think too many people take that for granted. I think we proved that in the special election in 2017, that every vote counts," said Jones.

Jones said voting rights had been under attack since the 2013 Shelby V. Holder decision, which eliminated a lot of voter protections.

"It's not the same as the old Jim Crow laws, but there's still efforts out there to suppress votes and keep people from having that free access to the booths," he stated.

Jones noted that he's working to restore "teeth" in the Voting Rights Act, but doubts that the current GOP-led Senate and President Trump's administration would approve.

"I don't see it happening, so it's all the more important to get out and vote in the 2020 elections," Jones stated.

Chavis asked Jones about the role black women played in his winning election to the Senate.

"It was critical. We focused on making sure that we got the African-American vote out," Jones stat-

ed.

"We did get more African Americans as a percentage out than even when President Obama did in his first race, a fact that I was very proud. The black community came out and worked hard. It's community engagement; it's a 365-days a year job. And, that's why the Black Press is so important because it keeps the community engaged," he stated.

Late last year, Trump signed the Futures Act, a bipartisan measure that would put more funding into Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HB-CUs) and other minority-serving institutions.

"It was incredibly important. When it comes to federal dollars, there are two pots of money HBCUs get: Mandatory funding and discretionary funding," said Jones.

"The mandatory funding is absolutely critical so they can plan each year. There's a lot of budgetary tugs that fought us, it wasn't easy, but we were just persistent, and that's the key in legislation in Washington, to be persistent," he noted.

Jones continued:

"So we were able to get that mandatory funding so that a base amount of money would go to HB-CUs. In my two years in Washington, we have been able to get about a 30 percent increase in discretionary funding for HBCUs and other minority-serving institutions

"Providing that base is important to them and the economy of states like Alabama and North Caro-

lina, and others."

Chavis spoke to Jones about race relations and asked about the senator's forecast for the south and whether he sees a more inclusive and diverse south riging

"So many of the divisions we see in the country started in the south. It can also be a place of healing and bringing people back together, and I see tremendous opportunity in the south," Jones stated.

"I think my election was something that people looked at and said the south was changing. The demographics are changing to some extent, but I think people's hearts and minds are changing," he added.

"We went from a one-party state in Alabama with Democrats, to a one-party state with Republicans. There was never anything in between. When you get competitive political parties, you get people who have to talk to each other, and that's what you need.

"These young people coming up don't have the same kind of biases and prejudices you saw when I was growing up. They also are beginning to see that the state is better off when everybody in that state benefits from it. I think the south can lead the nation in healing."

Jones also spoke of the importance of closing the achievement gap, although he said it's a complicated issue.

He said education and getting broadband into rural communities are keys to helping close the gap.

The senator also noted that he's a proponent of raising the federal minimum wage, but conceded it couldn't be done overnight. He stated that Trump's 2017 tax cuts have helped to provide businesses with the needed resources to make a minimum wage hike possible.

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With climate change a serious and growing issue,
Jones stated the importance of the Black Press to

continue to cover topics of environmental justice. "A lot of work needs to be done," he stated.

"But, I don't have much confidence in the Environmental Protection Agency under this administration, which is why the 2020 election is very important"

He included farming and Trump's trade and tariff wars as other vital issues for the 2020 election cycle.

Jones concluded the chat by noting the critical role of the Black Press, his disappointment in main-stream media, and his message to veterans in the wake of the new conflict with Iran.

"I think the press, in general, is critical. Overall, I'm a little disappointed in mainstream media, and I think the Black Press has a unique role, so the Black Press must stay focused on the issues," Jones stated.

He noted his appreciation for the U.S. military.

"I'm going to do everything that I can to continue to show appreciation. We eliminated the military widow's tax ... we've got to demonstrate our commitment in more words ... we've got to put our words into action," Jones stated.

King

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ing that the relation of sameness and difference between ourselves and that other person is beautiful. People need to feel, with feeling both intimately personal and large, that difference of race is like the difference to be found in music: two notes are different, but they are in behalf of the same melody; they complete each other; each needs the other to be expressed richly, to be fully itself.

I am grateful to have learned from Aesthetic Realism that my mind – and that of every person – was made to like the world, see meaning in it, not to feel important by despising it. As I began to see the feelings of others as real – including people who were very different from me – my life became happier, more expressed and my individuality was heightened. This led to work I treasure as a civil rights historian, journalist and co-author – with 23 diverse men and women – of the book: Aesthetic Realism and the Answer to Racism.

I tell now of two important men who, with others, have seen the immense value of Siegel's un-

derstanding of the cause of racism and what can end it.

Two men and an historic event

August 16, 2002, the centenary of the birth of Siegel, was declared "Eli Siegel Day" in Baltimore, the city where he grew up, in proclamations by the mayor and by Maryland's governor.

The celebration in Druid Hill Park, included an address by Reiss, who spoke about Siegel's life, his magnificent scholarship, integrity and kindness

Speakers on Siegal Appreciation Day

Allan Michael, one of the first African-American Maritime captains in the New York Harbor, a photographer and an Aesthetic Realism Associate, said:

It is hard to be black in this country and feel that justice is going to come your way, because black people have endured horrific injustice for years, from slavery to racial profiling. This has made for tremendous anger in our nation. For example, I was angry and humiliated being stopped

on Route 80 by a state trooper for no apparent reason, as my private belongings were systematically strewn out on the roadside. I join my... fellow speakers in saying I know that Aesthetic Realism is the means to end racism. In fact, the Aesthetic Realism education is living proof that through what Siegel explained, people of one background not only can be fair to others, but can understand them. It was through the thought of Siegel, a white man, that I was able to understand the deepest things in myself; and this points to a fundamental hope for all races.

In beautiful prose, Siegel stated:

"It will be found that black and white man have the same goodnesses, the same temptations and can be criticized in the same way. The skin may be different, but the aorta is quite the same."

Humanity will thank him as I do for teaching in Aesthetic Realism how all people can honestly see each other with depth, kindness and respect.

Elijah E. Cummings (1951–2019), who served in the U.S. House of Representatives for Mary-

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land's 7th District from 1996 until his death last October, was a lifelong civil rights advocate known for his integrity and courage, including in his last days as chair of the House Oversight Committee. On July 26, 2002, Cummings gave a tribute on the floor of Congress, to Siegel in which he read the poem "Something Else Should Die." His tribute, which includes writings by Siegel and Reiss, is published in the U.S. Congressional Record (#E1445) and begins:

"I rise today to honor a great Baltimorean poet, educator and founder of Aesthetic Realism, Eli Siegel.

And he continued:

"A teaching method, based on Aesthetic Realism, has been tremendously successful...as an effective tool to stop racism and promote tolerance; because it enables people of all races to see others with respect and kindness. His poetry and the education of Aesthetic Realism will be studied in every English, literature, and art classroom across the nation for years to come."

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For My People Awards luncheon



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The Margaret Walker Center will host its 52nd annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Birthday Convocation at 10 a.m. Friday, January 17, in the Rose E. McCoy Auditorium on the campus of Jackson State University.

Civil rights attorney Constance Slaughter-Harvey will

James Green

deliver this year's keynote address and will be honored at the 25th annual AARP Mississippi For My People Awards luncheon immediately following including representing the famconvocation in the JSU Student ilies of Phillip Gibbs, James Center Ballroom. Tickets to the luncheon are \$20.

The For My People Awards honor individuals and institutions that have made indelible

Phillip Gibbs

contributions to African-American history and culture.

Slaughter-Harvey will be recognized for her life's work, Green, and other victims in lawsuits against the City of Jackson and the State of Mississippi after police and highway patrol fired approximately 400 rounds of ammunition in 30 seconds into Alexander Hall, a women's dormitory at then Jackson State College, in

Gibbs, a junior political science major at Jackson State, and Green, a senior at nearby Jim Hill High School, were murdered that night and became unwitting martyrs in the Civil Rights and Black Power movements.

Gibbs and Green will both be honored posthumously with For My People Awards for their sacrifices.

Reserve your seats today for



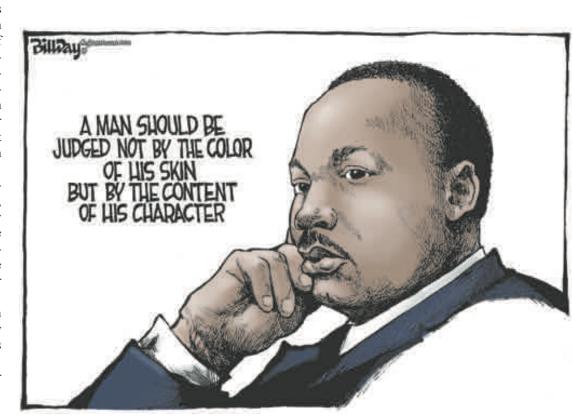
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Mississippi students selected for U.S. Senate Youth Program

Students headed to Washington, D. C., receive \$10,000 scholarship

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The United States Senate Youth Program (USSYP) announces that high school students Bobby Frank Current of Olive Branch and John Alexander Stradinger of Ridgeland will join Senator Roger F. Wicker and Senator Cindy Hyde-Smith in representing Mississippi in the nation's capital during the 58th annual USSYP Washington Week, to be held March 7-14

Current and Stradinger were selected from among the state's top student leaders to be part of the 104 national student delegation who will also each receive a \$10,000 college scholarship for undergraduate study.

Each year this extremely competitive merit-based program brings the most outstanding high school students – two from each state, the District of Columbia and the Department of Defense Education Activity – to Washington, D.C. for an intensive week-long study of the federal government and the



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people who lead it.

The overall mission of the program is to help instill within each class of USSYP student delegates a more profound knowledge of the American political process and a lifelong commitment to public service.

In addition to the program week, The Hearst Foundations provide each student with a \$10,000 undergraduate college scholarship with encouragement to continue coursework in government, history and public affairs. Transportation and all expenses for Washington Week are also provided by The Hearst

Foundations; as stipulated in S.Res.324, no government funds are utilized.

Current, a senior at Lewisburg High School, serves as a representative to the Student Council, and the president of the Creative Writing Club, Debate Club, and Equality Club. Additionally, he serves as Boys State governor.

The goal of the Equality Club is to spread awareness about different issues that challenge the community and find solutions to the problems. He is an active member of the National Honor Society and the National

English Honor Society, which promotes literacy throughout the community. In the future, Current plans to attend college and pursue a career in law and politics.

Stradinger, a senior at Jackson Preparatory School, serves as president of the Student Council, and as the youth governor for the Mississippi Youth Legislature. As governor, he learned parliamentary procedures and the ability to personally relate to delegates and their ideas. He is the founder/producer of WHY Mississippi, a research project aimed at spreading awareness and appreciation for Mississippi's rich culture and the people behind it.

Stradinger is a member of the prestigious Cum Laude Society. He is on the cross country, track, tennis and soccer teams. He plans to study political science, law and accounting.

Chosen as alternates to the 2020 program were Shawn Christian Andrew, a resident of

Southaven, who attends Southaven High School and Kenning Elise Bridges, a resident of Florence, who attends McLaurin High School.

Delegates and alternates are selected by the state departments of education nationwide and the District of Columbia and Department of Defense Education Activity, after nomination by teachers and principals. The chief state school officer for each jurisdiction confirms the final selection. This year's Mississippi delegates and alternates were designated by Carey Wright, state superintendent of education.

While in Washington the student delegates attend meetings and briefings with senators, members of the House of Representatives, Congressional staff, the president, a justice of the Supreme Court, leaders of cabinet agencies, an ambassador to the United States and senior members of the national

In addition to outstanding leadership abilities and a strong commitment to volunteer work, the student delegates rank academically in the top one percent of their states among high school juniors and seniors.

The USSYP was created by Senate Resolution 324 in 1962 and has been sponsored by the Senate and fully funded by The Hearst Foundations since inception. Originally proposed by Senators Kuchel, Mansfield, Dirksen and Humphrey, the impetus for the program as stated in Senate testimony is "to increase young Americans' understanding of the interrelationships of the three branches of government, learn the caliber and responsibilities of federally elected and appointed officials and emphasize the vital importance of democratic decision making not only for America but for people around the world."

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Glaucoma the "thief of sight" irreversible blindness

January is National Glaucoma Awareness Month

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According to The National Eye Institute, more than 3 million Americans suffer from glaucoma and it's projected to reach 4.2 million by 2030. An individual can lose more than 40% of his/ her vision before noticing. Approximately 120,000 cases of blindness are a direct result of glaucoma.

Known as the "thief of sight," the American Academy of Ophthalmology declared January National Glaucoma Awareness Month to aid in spreading awareness of the disease.

Glaucoma is an eye disease that causes damage to the optic nerve, which results in vision loss. The most common forms of glaucoma primarily affect middle-aged to elderly individuals. Although there is no cure for glaucoma, early detection is vital in stopping the progression of the disease.

"Fortunately, while the number of people with glaucoma continues to rise, the treatment options continue to improve and multiply," said Dr. Mark Kosko, a Jackson Eye Associates ophthalmologist and cataract and glaucoma specialist. "New medication options and multiple new and less invasive surgical options have become available and revolutionized the treatment paradigm even in just the past three years."

There are two main types of glaucoma, primary open-angle glaucoma and angle-closure glaucoma. Open-angle glaucoma accounts for about 90% of all cases and is caused by clogging in the drainage canals, resulting in increased eye pressure. Angleclosure glaucoma is less common and develops very quickly. It is caused when the drainage canals are blocked and results in a sudden rise in intraocular pressure.

Glaucoma is the second leading cause of blindness in the world. The best course of action to combat this disease is to have an annual comprehensive eye exam. Although incurable, there are medications and procedure options available to assist in slowing and preventing further vision loss.

Jackson Eye Associates is the largest ophthalmology practice in Mississippi. JEA offers comprehensive eye care, as well as an optical boutique at each of its three locations in Jackson, Clinton and Madison.

For more information, visit JacksonEye.com or find JEA on Facebook or Instagram.







Getting diabetes as we get older There is good news

By Glenn Ellis TriceEdneyWire.com



More more, I am finding many people who as they enter their 6th decade, are finding new aches and

pains that never existed before. Increasingly, many are finding something else that never existed before: diabetes.

For most of these people, after a lifetime of enjoying reasonably healthy lives, seemingly out of nowhere, they are told they are now diabetic and prescribed medication. Needless, to say, this comes as a shock.

However, consistent with many other changes in the body as we age, your body becomes more susceptible to diabetes.

Of course, seniors (those over 65) are not the only people to be affected by diabetes. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), over 30 million people in the United States have diabetes. The CDC also notes that 90 to 95 percent of cases involve type 2 diabetes.

More than one-quarter of the US population aged 65 and older has diabetes, including type 1 and 2, and approximately one-half of older adults have prediabetes. In this population, age-related insulin resistance and impaired pancreatic islet function increase the risk of developing the disease.

Many older people also have other conditions as well as diabetes, and this can complicate diabetes management. For example, high blood pressure or high levels of certain fats in the blood can speed up the progression of common complications problems, eye problems, foot problems and heart and blood vessel problems.

People with diabetes whose blood glucose levels are high are more prone to infections than people with normal blood glucose levels.

People with poorly controlled diabetes are also at greater risk for dental problems. They're more likely to have infections of their gums and the bones that hold their teeth in place, because diabetes can reduce the blood supply to the gums.

Not only that, but when we age, loss of teeth and poor dental health becomes more and more common. We don't, and can't, chew like we used to. That means things like crunchy fruits and vegetables are offlimits. We end up gravitating towards softer chewy foods that tend to be more processed, and bad for our health in the long run.

A poor diet of soft and processed foods can have serious long-term effects, especially on the seniors or those with systemic health issues like heart disease and diabetes. Specifically, a poor diet can lead to either unhealthy weight loss or unhealthy weight gain, high blood pressure, high cholesterol, malnutrition, dehydration, jawbone loss, osteoporosis, stroke and some cancers.

Poor nutrition can also cause even more oral health issues, including gingivitis and tooth decay.

If we look, honestly, at all the things that go along with aging, we find that it makes sense that the risk of becoming diabetic increases as we get older. In addition to their many physical challenges, elderly diabetes patients often are socially isolated and have financial problems that negatively affect their care. They may forget to eat, be unable to afford medications or quality food, or skip medication doses to extend a prescription. They also may experience changes in taste and a lack of interest and ability to shop for food and prepare meals at

An additional concern with blood sugar being too high, is the danger of blood sugar dropping too low (hypoglycemia). This creates the conditions for many serious issues that wreak havoc in the lives of the elderly; particularly falls and fractures.

Instead of, or in addition to, sweating and tremors, elderly diabetes patients should be taught to look for symptoms of hypoglycemia, such as dizziness, weakness, delirium, and confusion. Often, the low glucose will cause them to fall, of diabetes, such as kidney resulting in a head injury and death.

> There is good news. Despite the high rates of diagnosis, there are ways the disease may be delayed and even prevented. Your best options include regular exercise; losing 5 to 10 percent of your body weight if you're overweight or obese; and reducing your intake of sugar and sweetened beverages. If we are all honest with ourselves, one or more of these risk factors is a part of who we are, and how we have grown accustomed to living. By losing just 5 to 7 percent of your body weight, you can slow the development of type 2 diabetes.

> You may not be able to prevent diabetes entirely. But taking steps now may prevent related complications and improve your quality of life.

Remember, I'm not a doctor. I just sound like one. Take good care of yourself and live the best life possible.

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Sanderson Farms Championship host breaks record with \$1.3M gift to help Children's Hospital

The Mississippi Link Newswire

For the sixth year in a row, Century Club Charities has set a record in philanthropy, announcing a \$1.3 million donation to Friends of Children's Hospital from the 2019 Sanderson Farms Championship.

At a recent news conference, the tournament host presented a check to Friends, the fundraising organization dedicated to supporting the University of Mississippi Medical Center's pediatric health care mission, including the state's only children's hospi-

"Children's of Mississippi treats 150 to 175 thousand children per year from every city and county in the state of Mississippi. Today's \$1.3 million contribution is a Mississippi statewide event," stated Pat Busby, president of Century Club Charities, Inc. "The real winner is not the Sanderson Farms Championship winner, but the patients, their families and the dedicated doctors, nurses and staff at Children's of Mississippi who provide miraculous care to the children of Mississippi, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. As Sanderson Farms has done so extremely well, we encourage all Mississippi businesses to recognize the statewide effect and get involved to support the mission of Century Club Charities."

This dedication was honored for a second consecutive year by the PGA TOUR with its "Best Charity Integration" award, which recognizes the tournament that best incorporates its



of the event.

Children's of Mississippi, UMMC's pediatric arm, is highly visible during the Sanderson Farms Championship, with patients, doctors and nurses greeting tournament spectators. Likewise, PGA TOUR players and members of the PGA TOUR Wives Association stop in to visit patients and families at Children's of Mississippi during tournament week.

"It's really rewarding for the tournament to set another record for our annual donation to

charity and theme into all facets Friends and Children's of Mississippi," said Sanderson Farms Championship Executive Director Steve Jent. "I'm really excited for our staff, volunteers, sponsors and, more importantly, the patients at Children's that our first year as a stand-alone event was so successful."

> The record-breaking donation from the 2019 Sanderson Farms Championship follows \$1.25 million raised in 2018, \$1.2 million raised in 2017, \$1.125 million raised in 2016, \$1.109 million raised in 2015 and the \$1.102 million raised in 2014. The 2013

tournament, the first year Sanderson Farms was the title sponsor, raised more than \$500,000 for Friends.

The donation to Friends of Children's Hospital will go toward bringing a seven-story children's hospital expansion to completion. In 2016, Friends made a \$20 million pledge to the Campaign for Children's of Mississippi, the philanthropic effort to raise \$100 million to fund the project, which will more than double the square footage devoted to pediatrics at UMMC.

"Sanderson Farms CEO and board chairman Joe Sanderson Jr., who chairs the Campaign for Children's of Mississippi with his wife, Kathy, said the tournament will have a stand-alone date on the PGA TOUR schedule again this year, attracting a stronger field of competitors.

"The 2020 Sanderson Farms Championship will be bigger better and hopefully cooler," Sanderson said. The tournament will be held at The Country Club of Jackson Sept. 28-Oct. 4.

While the Sandersons enjoy tournament week, the day when Century Club Charities presents its donation to Friends is their favorite. "It's almost like Christmas," he said. "It's when we give back to the children and families, and the doctors, nurses and staff of the children's hospital."

The Sandersons launched the Campaign for Children's of Mississippi in 2016 with a \$10 million personal donation.

The work of so many to help children get a healthy start in life through Children's of Mississippi is humbling, said Dr. LouAnn Woodward, vice chancellor for health affairs and dean of the School of Medicine.

"We are so thankful for our partners and their generosity," Woodward said. "Their dedication to pediatric health will benefit children now and into the future. We are honored and grateful to have, as supporters, people who have such a heart for children and families."

The new pediatric tower will be home to 88 private neonatal

intensive care rooms, 12 additional operating rooms, 32 pediatric intensive care rooms, an imaging center designed for children, a specialty clinic and a new lobby. The Children's Heart Center, representing the Medical Center's pediatric cardiovascular program, will also call the

new building home. Under construction since early 2018, the Children's of Mississippi expansion will open in fall

"There are so many people that make a day like today happen. Golf is an individual sport, one guy wins, but he has a huge team behind him just as we have a huge team who puts this tournament together," added Jent. "It is because of our team - the people, volunteers and community support that an event of this magnitude has become such a success. It's exciting to see the impact we are making in our community."

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Simmons and Blount re-elected

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The Mississippi Senate Democratic Caucus, January 09, re-elected District 12 Senator Derrick T. Simmons of Greenville as its chairman and District 29 Senator David Blount of Jackson as vice chairman.

The caucus networks across party lines pushing legislation that benefits all Mississippians.

"One of the highest honors is to have the support of your colleagues to serve and lead together as they have entrusted me with this position," said Simmons, chairman of the Senate Enrolled Bills Committee. "It is important now more than ever that we work collectively as a caucus and with leadership and the majority to improve the quality of life for all Mississippians."

Blount, chairman of the Senate Public Property Committee, echoed those sentiments.

"I am humbled to have been elected vice chairman of our Senate Democratic Caucus by my colleagues. I am especially happy to serve with Chairman Sen. Derrick Simmons, who has done an outstanding job as our leader. As proud Democrats, we will work with our Republican colleagues when we can but will never be afraid to stand up for our constituents and to fight for a better state for all of our citizens."



Blount and Simmons

Speaker Philip Gunn statement on passage of additional funding for teachers' salaries

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Christian Living

By Pastor Simeon R. Green III Special to The Mississippi Link



1:1-2: Paul and Timotheus, the servants of Jesus Christ, to all the saints in Christ Jesus which are at Philippi, with the bish-

ops and deacons: Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ."(KJV) Paul identifies himself

and Timothy as the servants of Jesus Christ. The word 'servants" actually means "bond slaves." Saints are believers in Christ. They are

saints, not because of their conduct, but because of their position in Christ. Saints means "holy," set apart for God. Anything that is holy is separated for the use of God. Even the old pots and pans in the tabernacle were called "holy vessels," and they were probably beaten and battered after forty years in the wilderness. They may not have looked holy, but they were; Why, because they had been set aside for the use of God.

Now that should be the position of every child of God. We are set aside for the use

of God. The saints are "in Christ Jesus." What does it mean to be saved? It means to be in Christ Jesus. When you put your trust in the Lord Jesus, the Spirit of God comes to dwell in you. The Holy Spirit baptizes you into the Body of Christ. You are put in Christ by the Spirit of

Now these saints were in Christ, but they were at Philippi. You see, it doesn't make any difference where you are. You may be in Germany or Spain or Africa the important matter is being in Christ Jesus. Salvation is "to be in Christ." How do you get in Christ? You get in Christ when you accept Him as your Savior.

"Grace be unto you, and

peace." In a world of turmoil, a world of tension, a world of trial, and a world that is filled with things that are wrong, we can know the peace of God in our hearts. This is the peace of God that He gives to those who trust Jesus Christ as their own personal Savior. We must know the grace of God before we can experience the peace of God.

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Recalibrate your life

By Shewanda Riley Columnist



Like so many other people, I began 2019 with of big hopes changes in my life. I was going to lose weight, save more money,

and become more organized with my time. And like a few of you, I ended 2019 a few pounds heavier, wishing I had more money saved and less organized.

So, I began 2020 with a plan to change. The more I meditated on how to make changes in my life, the more one word came to my spirit: Recalibrate. My first thought was that it sounded painful and unpleasant.

I looked up the meaning of recalibrate just to make sure that I wasn't jumping to bad conclusions. What I found was that the word perfectly fit what I felt needed to happen in my life. At this point in the year, many of us are reevaluating the goals we made just a couple of weeks ago. Instead of reevaluating, we should recalibrate.

Recalibrate means to correct a measuring process by checking or adjusting again in comparison with a standard. It's about tweaking something that appears to be working just fine. For example, you can recalibrate the touch screen on a tablet or Smartphone that allows it to work better.

When I first read this definition, I thought about the areas of my life that needed to be recalibrated. If I was honest with myself, I had to admit that in the past year I hadn't become a backslider but things in certain areas of my life (especially well as they could. Without real- on Twitter @shewanda.

izing it, I'd drifted away from my previous standard of consistent prayer, fasting and consecration.

Sometimes we think change comes because God is trying to move us to another level of faith which sometimes is true. However, sometimes change comes to show us that we need to return to more authentic place of praise and intimacy with God where we honored His standard for our lives.

Isaiah 59:19 says "When the enemy comes in like a flood, The Spirit of the Lord will lift up a standard against him." For me, recalibration came after a season of great spiritual questioning where my faith was tested.

Even though God's standard of holiness remains unchanged, recalibration is different for everyone. For some, recalibration may mean that you finally join that church that you've been attending for

The standards that I'd set for myself in 2019 I'd met, but these were not the standards that God had for me....which is why in 2020, my focus is on recalibration. In other words, we have to recalibrate and make adjustments based on the standard God has set and not the standard that we set for ourselves.

Often we expect God to ask us to make big changes, but recalibration involves trusting Him to give you the faith to make the more necessary smaller and important adjustments.

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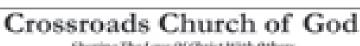


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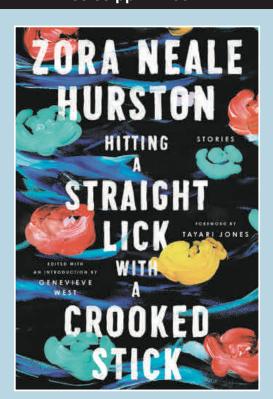
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By Terri Schlichenmeyer Columnist

Everybody has that place. You know, that place where everyone knows you, they know what you want, and they get it for you before your coat's half off. It's where you can catch up on gossip and good news, where you take shelter and get sympathy. In "Hitting a Straight Lick with a Crooked

Born in around 1891 in Alabama, Zora Neale Hurston learned early to make her own way: she was just a teen-

Stick" by Zora Neale Hurston,

you also get a front seat.

home. After briefly working er for her books. as a maid for a traveling actress, she moved to Baltimore of Hurston's short stories, inwhere she graduated from high school, shaved a decade off her age, and enrolled at Howard University. There, her first story was printed.

Unable to secure money to graduate from Howard University, Hurston moved to New York in 1924, arriving in Harlem with near-empty pockets Hurston knew exactly what she but a head full of stories that began winning awards for her.

ager when her mother died, This led to more opportunities, and when her father married a a return to college, a network woman she hated, Hurston left of other writers, and a publish-

In this book are twenty-one

cluding Harlem Renaissance works that were previously considered "lost." Many were written in a way that reflects stereotypical patterns of speech and pronunciation which, says Genevieve

was doing.

West in her introduction, was

risky and controversial but

Harlem, Hurston's stories here start out in Eatonville, Florida, where everyone knew everyone else. It is the place where John Redding lived before he died, floating in the same waters that he dreamed might show him the world. It's where every man gathers at Jim's restaurant to talk trash, and where Sam met Stella, who changed him into someone who never gambled and came home on time, mostly.

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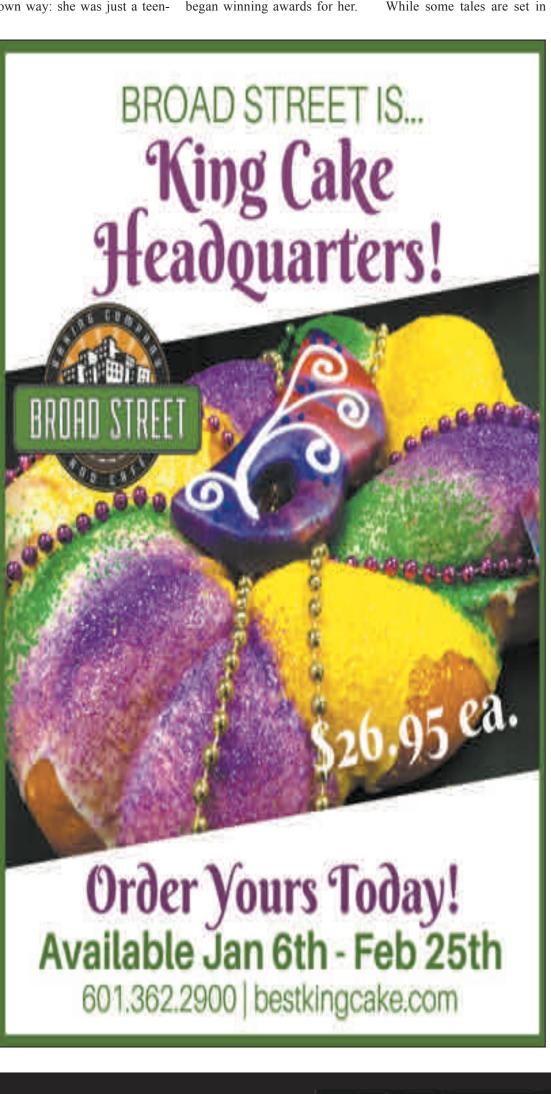
Eatonville was where Spunk Banks got too brave, where Old Man Morgan could put down a curse on anyone; and where "white folks are very stupid about some things."

Don't be surprised if "Hitting a Straight Lick with a Crooked Stick" is quickly elevated to your local high school's reading list. Yep, it's that kind of

Read, and you'll almost wish you were slumped on a wooden chair on Jim's porch on a hot summer day. Read, because authenticity oozes from every page here and you can't help but like the men and women in the tales. Read, as author Zora Neale Hurston's wit shines between biting narratory descriptions and comments, like sunbeams sneaking through Jim's raggedy roof, underscored by a mix of highbrow words and lowlife scoundrels.

You'll also feel the heat sometimes but it's not always from the weather.

One thing: modern readers may want to know that the "dialect" that Hurston insisted upon may take some getting used-to, but it ultimately adds to the realism that you'll love about this book. For that, "Hitting a Straight Lick with a Crooked Stick" is right for any









"If you can't fly then run... If you can't run then walk.... If you can't walk then crawl... But whatever you do you have to

KEEP MOVING FORWARD."

-Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

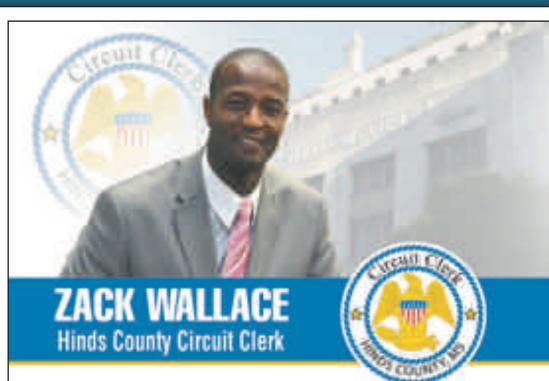


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Lenovo releases 2018/2019 diversity and inclusion report

Harvard Law School's first deaf-blind graduate joins the company as a D&I consultant

The Mississippi Link Newswire

Lenovo, a leader in innovation and developing transformative products, services and solutions, recently released its 2018/2019 Diversity & Inclusion Report. One key highlight is Haben Girma, Harvard Law School's first deaf-blind graduate joining the team as the first external D&I consultant helping to better integrate the needs of the disability community into its products and workplace.

Girma, an advocate for equal opportunities for people with disabilities, is an African-American and first-generation immigrant that has earned President Obama naming her a White House Champion of Change, the Helen Keller Achievement Award and a spot on the Forbes 30 Under 30 list.

The report demonstrates the company's continued investment in their employees to foster growth and development that leads to better decisions, better products and better business results.

"We are proud of our progress in diversity and to be a part of recasting the model for multinational companies," said Yolanda Lee Conyers, chief diversity officer and president, Lenovo Foundation. "We are committed to continuing our work of advancing greater diversity in all its forms across our workforce and to foster a sense of belonging with inclusive practices."

The report revealed in the last 12 months, 66 unique nationalities were hired across 61 markets, 100 different languages are spoken by Lenovo employees, five unique nationalities are represented among their top 14 executives in the Lenovo Executive Committee and 97 percent of their business managers are native residents to the markets they work in.

Lenovo also succeeded in achieving their goal of impacting one million people through the benefit of philanthropy and volunteerism around the world.

In October 2018, Lenovo launched The Lenovo Foundation to invest in STEM education programs, increase access to diverse populations and empower employees to improve their communities. As a result of their commitment, The foundation awarded 16 mini-

grants to organizations around the world such as an organization in Kenya that was outfitted with a new computer lab to serve a disconnected community.

In an effort to continue to progress and advance diversity and inclusion, Lenovo partnered with The Atlantic magazine to host their first ever Inclusion in the Workplace conference, bringing influencers and thought leaders in the community together to share insights and best practices for increasing inclusivity in business. In addition, the company launched two new employee resource groups in the US, with plans to further expansion that focuses on new professionals and early-career employees, and individuals with disabilities and caretakers and allies of the disability community.

"We have many achievements and milestones to celebrate, and meeting our goals requires constant focus and is a continual journey," said Conyers. "We are taking steps to make sure our workforce reflects the best insights, creativity and experiences reflective of our customers and society."



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Imagine a World

By E. Faye Williams
Trice Edney Newswire



We have an impeached president in our country because he has done so much destruction to our country. He has even destroyed who others believe we are. Many Amer-

icans have lost faith in who we once thought we were. I've heard Americans talk about being embarrassed to travel abroad because they have no way to defend what has happened to our country.

Now, as a result of the extreme actions taken by the man in the White House, we have the added reason of fear to travel abroad. Once we're identified as Americans, we are fair game to those who want pay back America for what the occupant in the White House has done without a logical explanation.

The administration held a briefing to explain why the occupant of the White House started the ground work for a war without authorization from Congress. Even as our top military officials stood behind Trump, as he tried to justify ordering the killing, it was obvious they were thinking about the Beatles' song "Imagine A World" with another Commander-in-Chief.

Senator Mike Lee (R), who is definitely not known as one who would likely vote for anything with which I agree, came out of the briefing meeting that was intended to justify killing Major General Qasem Soleimani while in Iraq, not in Iran, speaking in angry words and proclaiming it to be the worst military briefing he'd heard since coming to Congress. Senator Rand Paul stood with him before Democratic Senators began their assessment.

Democratic Senators described the administration's explanation as "incredibly without facts, deeply concerning, unacceptably vague, thin on facts, deeply dissatisfying" and the descriptions went on and on.

With that kind of criticism, I'm reminded of former Secretary of State John Kerry's question when he asked, "How do you ask a man to be the last man to die for a mistake?" So many voices today indicate that no matter how badly we think of Iran or its dead General, Kerry said, "Trump's unilateral actions have brought us to a point where we are at greater risk than before killing Iran's General. Now there is no way at all the world and the U.S. are safer with the steps Trump has taken."

Vice President Mike Pence's speech on this matter was mysteriously cancelled. Now I am wondering what he would have said.

I'm a Dick Gregory disciple which says I'm anti-war. I know when you identify as anti-war, you're called some awful names by those who I suppose would rather be "pro-war." I am unapologetically pro-peace. Some of us have paid dearly for being pro-peace. In April of 1980, my good friend Dick Gregory went to Iran in an effort to protest the Iranian hostage situation. He did it while reducing his meals to water and fruit juice and vowed to do it until the hostage situation was resolved peacefully. He returned to the United States September 9, 1980. He never stopped protesting injustices. In September of 1968 he went to Marquette University and spoke on behalf of anti-war activists who'd seized and burned draft cards from a Selective Service office in downtown Milwaukee. In the late 60's, he became friends with John Lennon and together they made an anti-war anthem called "Give Peace A Chance." Trump has violated that.

War is still not the answer. We are less safe as we have a president who seems determined to rule by war. We're not safe so long as Trump is in the White House continuing to act irrationally.

Let us "Imagine A World" without nim.

Dr. E. Faye Williams is national president of the National Congress of Black Women. (www.nationalcongressbw.org). She's also host of WPFW.FM 89.3's "Wake Up and Stay Woke."

New hope for Pembroke Township

By Rev. Jesse Jackson, Sr. Founder and President of Rainbow PUSH Coalition



Across America, there are pockets of poverty, communities that have been left behind or deprived of the basics needed to develop, like Pembroke Township,

a small community south of Chicago along the Indiana border. In this community, one-third of the families live below the poverty line. It is one of the poorest communities in the country, with a median income that is among the lowest.

In the 1860s, newly freed slaves – Freedmen – settled into the rich farmland of the region. It was a land of promise and opportunity. During the Great Migration and the Great Depression, waves of black farmers settled here. Land was still available for black farms in part because much of it was seen as marginal. The land is so bad, the joke became, as

Rev. Hezekiah Brady Jr., reported, "you can't raise hell on it." Today, the residents of Pembroke Township are denied the hope that their ancestors once held. In Pembroke, residents lack heat and access to basic necessities.

They are the victims of economic violence in many ways. They can't develop basic infrastructure without capital investment. Investment won't come without basic infrastructure. They face a Catch 22 all too familiar to poor communities in this country. In recent months, this has begun to change for the 2,100 residents of Pembroke. Wi-Fi has come to the community. Now Nicor Gas is joining with local officials trying to work out a plan to bring natural gas to Pembroke. A secure source of energy would help kickstart other development – and in turn create jobs and generate hope

To bring energy to Pembroke will require regulatory changes, millions in investment and support from the business

community, the residents of Pembroke, the state of Illinois and the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Nicor has made a serious commitment. Now it is time to turn up the heat on the others to ensure that the residents of Pembroke have heat.

Dr. Martin Luther King always envisioned the civil rights struggle in three different movementsi or phases. First would come basic civil rights, the end of segregation. The Supreme Court and the Civil Rights Act of 1965 helped achieve that. Then came political rights: The Voting Rights Act helped move toward that.

It wasn't just African Americans who profited, but women, young people and other minorities all made great strides to equal justice. The final movement, which Dr. King knew would be the most difficult, was the movement for economic justice. Sadly, the war on poverty that was making great strides was lost in the jungles of Vietnam, and then abandoned under Ronald Reagan in

1980. Now, as America suffers extreme inequality, a declining life expectancy, rising deaths of despair – from alcohol, or drugs or suicide – we need a new push for economic justice.

It should focus on the pockets of poverty like Pembroke. It must engage the efforts of private enterprise and public and private resources.

Keystone legislation like that proposed by Rep. James Clyburn, D-S.C., that would target federal spending to the communities that have been mired in poverty for decades, joining the urban and the rural poor, across regional and racial lines, as the focus for new energy and new hope.

What's clear is that our current course won't do it. Unemployment is low, but poor urban and rural communities still have not recovered. Communities like Pembroke won't recover without focused energy. As Dr. King taught us, that will happen only if citizens organize and lead the way.

Celebrating Dr. King as a warrior, not a dreamer

By A. Peter Bailey
TriceEdneyWire.com



At the risk of being considered repetitious, I am once again asking—not begging—black folks to cease reducing the great historical legacy of Dr. Martin

Luther King Jr. to "I have a dream." Anyone who is still doing so, which includes most black folks in this country, should celebrate his birthday this year by reading his last book, Where Do We Go From Here: Chaos or Community. There is no way one can read that book and continue reducing Dr. King to being some kind of other-worldly dreamer.

The seriousness and tone of the book is graphically revealed in the following no-nonsense statements by Dr. King:

"But the scope of the struggle is still too narrow and too restricted. We must turn more of our energies and focus

on the useful things that translate into power... We in this generation must do the work and in doing it stimulate our children to learn and acquire higher levels of skill and technique."

"It must become a crusade so vital that civil rights organizations do not repeatedly have to make personal calls to summon support. There must be a climate of social pressure in the Negro community that scorns the Negro who will not pick up his citizenship rights and add his strength enthusiastically and voluntarily to the accumulation of power for his self and his people...."

"...Power is not the white man's birth right; it will not be legislated for us and delivered in neat government packages. It is a social force any group can utilize by accumulating its elements in a planned, deliberate campaign to organize it under its own control."

"Our meddlesome task is to discover how to organize our strength into com-

pelling power."

"A second important step that the Negro must take is to work passionately for group identity. This does not mean group isolation or group exclusivity. It means the kind of group consciousness that Negroes need in order to participate more meaningfully at all levels in the life of our nation."

As a Malcomite I agree with 90 percent of what Dr. King is advocating in the above quotes. I never thought I would be able to say that.

Finally, it must be noted that J. Edgar Hoover knew that King was more than a dreamer. In an August 28, 2013 article on the 50th anniversary of the March on Washington, the *Washington Post* noted that following Dr. King's speech that day, the FBI launched one of the biggest operations in its history. Hoover paid attention to the rest of that speech which included the following passage:

"In a sense we have come to our na-

tion's capital to cash a check. When the architects of our republic wrote the magnificent words of the Constitution and the Declaration of Independence, they were signing a promissory note to which every American was to fall heir. This note was a promise that all men, yes, black men as well as white men, would be guaranteed the unalienable rights of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. It is obvious today that America has defaulted on this promissory note insofar as her citizens of color are concerned. Instead of honoring this sacred obligation, America has given the Negro people a bad check, a check which has come back marked 'insufficient funds.' But we refuse to believe that the bank of justice is bankrupt. We refuse to believe that there are insufficient funds in the great vaults of opportunity of this nation. So we have come to cash this check - a check that will give us upon demand the riches of freedom and the security of justice."

War with Iran is ill-advised and thoughtless

By Marc H. Morial Trice Edney Newswire



"When the United States uses military force, the American people and members of the United States Armed Forces deserve a credible explanation

regarding such use of military force. The War Powers Resolution requires the president to consult with Congress "in every possible instance" before introducing United States Armed Forces into hostilities. Congress has not authorized the president to use military force against Iran. Congress hereby directs the president to terminate the use of United States Armed Forces to engage in hostilities in or against Iran or any part of its government or military, unless – (1) Congress has declared war or enacted specific statutory authorization for such use of the Armed Forces; or (2) such use of the Armed Forces is necessary and appropriate to defend against an imminent armed attack upon the United States, its territories or possessions,

or its Armed Forces, consistent with

the requirements of the War Powers Resolution." – War Powers Resolution passed by the U.S. House of Representatives, January 9, 2020

The Trump Administration has said the death of Iran's top military commander, Maj. Gen. Qassim Suleimani, was necessary to prevent American deaths the general was plotting, and the world is safer because of his death.

I don't know a soul in America who feels safer now than we did before January 3. And that includes President Trump, who has spent the days since Suleimani's death issuing empty threats on Twitter, some of which are clearly war crimes.

clearly war crimes.

The United States has been in conflict with Iran since 1979, when students stormed the American embassy in Tehran and held 52 Americans hostage for more than a year. In four decades since the Iranian Revolution, Iran has been the world's leading state sponsor of terrorism. For 22 of those years, the last 40 years, Suleimani has led the Quds Force, a U.S. designated terrorist organization, which has armed and trained terrorist and paramilitary groups throughout the

Middle East.

Yet Presidents George W. Bush and Barack Obama – and even Donald Trump, for the first three years of his term – all declined to kill or capture Suleimani, for a very good reason: such a move would be tantamount to a declaration of war, not only with Iran, but with its inestimable network of proxies around the globe – what Iran expert and Carnegie Endowment senior fellow Karim Sadjadpour has called "a Shia foreign legion."

We don't want this war. We don't need this war. We cannot afford this war, neither in blood nor in treasure. Nearly half a billion lives have been lost in the conflicts in Iraq, Pakistan and Afghanistan since 9/11, including 15,000 U.S. troops and military contractors. More than 970,000 Iraq and Afghanistan veteran disability claims have been registered with the Veterans Administration.

The United States federal government has spent or obligated \$5.9 trillion on the wars in the Middle East.

As a study by the Watson Institute at Brown University noted, "This total omits many other expenses, such

as the macroeconomic costs to the US economy; the opportunity costs of not investing war dollars in alternative sectors; future interest on war borrowing; and local government and private war costs. The current wars have been paid for almost entirely by borrowing. This borrowing has raised the US budget deficit, increased the national debt, and had other macroeconomic effects, such as raising consumer interest rates. Unless the US immediately repays the money borrowed for war, there will also be future interest payments. We estimate that interest payments could total over \$8 trillion by the 2050s."

The Trump Administration has not articulated or advanced a strategy with respect to Iran. Trump cannot keep us safe with a Tweet, as he seems to believe.

The House passed a resolution to force President Trump to come to Congress for authorization before taking further military action against Iran, but it will take the forceful involvement of Senate leadership to keep us out of another Middle East quagmire.



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Alpha Epsilon Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. presents its Community Service Award

The Mississippi Link Newswire

During its December 6, 2019 Founders' Day Observance, Alpha Epsilon Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated presented its Community Service Award to Dr. Juanita Sims Doty in recognition of her loyal and devoted services to the Jackson Community. This award also represented the chapter's high esteem for her untiring efforts.

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated has many national and local initiatives. Some of the service initiatives include Go to High School-Go to College; A Voteless People is a Hopeless People; Project Alpha and My Brother's Keeper. Dr. Damien Thomas serves as president of the Alpha Epsilon Lambda Chapter.



Alpha Epsilon Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha pictured with honoree Sims-Doty in the center. PHOTOS BY JAY JOHNSON



Mississippi native headlines FEED



Special to the Mississippi Link

The MS Legislative Black Caucus Foundation for Education for Economic Development (FEED) will have its Annual Blackmon, Ellis, Fredericks and Young Banquet, Thursday, January 30, at the Westin Jackson Hotel, Jackson, MS at 7:30 p.m. The speaker for this year's banquet is Dr. Eddie Glaude, Jr., MSNBC political commentator.

Glaude, according to his bio, is a scholar who speaks to the black and blue in America. His most well-known books, Democracy in Black: How Race Still Enslaves the American Soul, and In a Shade of Blue: Pragmatism and the Politics of Black America, take

a wide look at black communities and reveal complexities, vulnerabilities and opportunities for hope. Hope that is, in one of his favorite quotes from W.E.B Du Bois, "not hopeless, but a bit unhopeful."

Other muses include James Baldwin, Malcolm X and Bobby "Blue" Bland. In addition to his readings of early American philosophers and contemporary political scientists, Glaude turns to African-American literature in his writing and teaching for insight into African-American political life, religious thought, gender and class.

He is chair of the Department of African American Studies, a program he first became involved with shaping as a doctoral candidate in Religion at Princeton. He is the current president of the American Academy of Religion. His books on religion and philosophy include African-American Religion: A Very Short Introduction and Exodus! Religion, Race and Nation in Early 19th Century Black America, which was awarded the Modern Language Association's William Sanders Scarborough Book Prize. Glaude is also the author of two edited volumes, and many influential articles about religion for academic journals. He has also written for the likes of *The New York* Times and The Huffington Post.

Known to be a convener of conversations and debates, Glaude takes care Patricia Trowles at 601 954-9645.

to engage fellow citizens of all ages and backgrounds – from young activists, to fellow academics, journalists and commentators, and followers on Twitter in dialogue about the course of the nation. His scholarship and his sense of himself as a public intellectual are driven by a commitment to think carefully with others in public. Accordingly, his writing and ideas are

cited and shared widely. Claude, originally from Moss Point, Mississippi, will share during his visit to his native state, "2020 - The Gathering Storm."

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JPS Salutes Gladys Noel Bates And Thomas Cardozo

Cardozo Middle School is named after Thomas W. Cardozo, the first African American to serve as superintendent of education for the state of Mississippi in 1873.

Bates Elementary School is named after Gladys Noel Bates, an African American Civil Rights educator who filed a lawsuit charging salary discriminations against African-American teachers and principals.

JPS MLK Basketball Tournaments **Lanier High Schol 833 West Maple Street**

Girls

Saturday, January 18, 2020

Games begin at 2:30 p.m. \$8.00 Admission

Boys

Monday, January 20, 2020 Games begin at 11 a.m.

\$7.00 Admission

For complete game schedule, visit www.jackson.k12.ms.us







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Advertisement for Proposals

Sealed proposals will be received by the City of Jackson, Mississippi, until 3:30PM Central Standard Time on February 11, 2020, Office of City Clerk, City Hall, 219 South President Street, Jackson, Mississippi 39201, to supply labor and equipment as required to perform all related items of work covered under the 2020 Mosquito Abatement Services for the City of Jackson, Mississippi ("City").

A Pre-Proposal Conference will be held on January 22, 2020 at 3:00PM in the 5th Floor Conference Room of the Warren Hood Building, 200 South President Street. Jackson MS 39201. All potential contractors. subcontractors. and other interested parties are encouraged to attend.

The City is committed to the principle of non-discrimination in public contracting. It is the policy of the City to promote full and equal business opportunity for all persons doing business with the City. As a pre-condition to selection, each contractor, bidder or offeror shall submit a completed and signed Equal Business Opportunity (EBO) Plan, with the bid submission, in accordance with the provision of the City's Equal Business Opportunity (EBO) Ordinance. Failure to comply with the City's Ordinance shall disqualify a contractor, bidder, or offeror from being awarded an eligible contract. For more information on the City of Jackson's Equal Business Opportunity Program, please contact the Office of Economic Development at 601-960-1055. Copies of the Ordinance, EBO Plan Applications and a copy of the services are available at 200 South President Street, Room 223, Warren Hood Building, Jackson, Mississippi

The City hereby notifies all bidders that in compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 2000d to 2000d-4 that all bidders will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, national origin, or sex in consideration for an award.

The City is committed to cultivating and ensuring the quality of life of its citizens, through various services, employment, initiatives, and assistance. The City encourages all persons, corporations, and/or entities doing business within the City, as well as those who seek to contract with the City on various projects and/or conduct business in the City, to assist the City in achieving its goal by strongly considering City residents for employment opportunities.

Proposals (one signed original plus five copies) and the EBO Plan (one signed original plus five copies included with the proposal) shall be submitted in a sealed package and plainly marked on the outside of the package: "REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR MOSQUITO ABATEMENT SERVICES. Interested companies may obtain a copy of the detailed Request for Proposals at no charge from the City's Website at http://wwwjacksonms.2ov/bids or from James Caldwell, Manager, Infrastructure Management Division, City of Jackson, Department of Public Works, Warren Hood Building, 200 South President Street, Suite 531, Jackson, MS 39201 or j caldwell(a. city j ackson. ms.us

THE CITY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL PROPOSALS.

Robert K. Miller Director, Department of Public Works

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RULE 81 SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SHIRLEY TERRY WOODLEY, DECEASED

CAUSE #:P2019-222 O/3

BY: Asvia Lynn Woodley

SUMMONS

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF SHIRLEY TERRY WOODLEY, DECEASED You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by Asyia Lynn Woodley

Plaintiff, seeking the adjudication of heirs of Shirley Terry Woodley

You are summoned to appear and defend against the cor plaint or petition filed against you in this action at 1:30 o'clock p.m., on the 17th day of March, 2020, in the Chancery Courtroom of Hinds County, Mississippi, before Honorable Denise Owens and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint or petition.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire. Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this the 12 day of December, 2019



Eddie Carr CHANCERY ÇLERK OF HINDS COUNTY Mississippi

1-9-2020, 1-16-2020, 1-24-20

Mississippi Press Association Education Foundation

Celebrity Roast



Thursday, Feb. 6, 2020 Hilton Jackson Reception 6 pm • Dinner 7 pm

Tickets \$80 each or \$600 for a table of eight Call 601-981-3060 or visit mspress.org to order

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A REZONING

ZONING CASE NO. 4082

By virtue of and pursuant to the authority and direction of that Ordinance by the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi, appearing in Minute Book 3G at page 115 thereof, notice is hereby given to all persons interested in or in any way affected thereby, that Floyd Marshall, Jr. has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Rezoning from R-1 (Single-Family) Residential District to C-2 (Limited) Commercial District to eliminate any nonconforming uses and create a more sustainable and viable commercial node along the Medgar Evers corridor for properties located on Parcels 408-403, 408-405, 408-406, 408-407, and 408-408 described as:

Lot 8 BLK 12 ELRAINE RESY PT2 & THAT PT S 1/2 VACATED CARSON ST N OF & ADJ TO LOT 8

Parcel #408-405

Lot Ten (10), Block Twenty-two (22), Elraine Resurvey, Part Two, Hinds County, Mississippi a subdivision according to a map or plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County at Jackson, Mississippi, and being Plat Book four (4) at page 71, reference to which map or plat is hereby made in aid of and as part of this description.

Parcel #408-406 Lot 11 BLK 22 ELRAINE RESY PT2

Parcel #408-407

Lot Twelve 12, Block 22, ELRAINE RESY PT 2, Jackson, Hinds County,

Parcel #408-408

N ½ of lot thirteen (13), Block 22, ELRAINE RESY PT 2, Jackson, Hinds County, Mississippi

Said application will be heard at the City Planning Board Hearing in the Andrew Jackson Conference Room, First Floor, Warren A. Hood Building, 200 S. President Street in Jackson, Mississippi, at 1:30 p.m., on Wednesday, January 22, 2020, at which time all parties interested in or affected thereby will be heard both pro and con on said question, after which a record will be $established \, upon \, \dot{which} \, the \, City \, Planning \, Board \, can \, make \, its \, recommendation$ to the City Council of Jackson. Any objection thereto may be made by any person owning property within the area, and if made in writing must be filed with the City Zoning Administrator before said time if a hearing thereof or consideration thereof is desired, or by counsel on said date. If a request is made to the Zoning Administrator at least 72 hours in advance, the City will take steps to accommodate citizens need for interpreters or auxiliary aids for the visually/hearing impaired.

WITNESS my signature this 23rd day of December 2019.

/s/Ester L. Ainsworth Zoning Administrator City of Jackson, Mississippi

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BID CANCELLATION NOTICE:

By way of this notice, the Alta Woods Park and Medgar Evers Park aka Virden Addition Playground Resurfacing CDBG Project has been cancelled, and will be re-

We will make every attempt to notify everyone in the current Central Bidding "Visit

New Playground Equipment and Rubber Surfacing - Alta Woods Park Park, 2026 Alta Woods Park Blvd. and Medgar Evers Park aka Virden Addition, 3157 Edwards Ave., Jackson, Mississippi (CDBG Project).

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Notice to Contractors and Sub-Contractors

Habitat for Humanity Mississippi Capital Area ("HFHMCA"), a Christian non-profit affordable housing ministry, is seeking qualified construction general contractors and sub-contractors and support services contractors in the following areas to support its remodeling of homes in the City of Jackson as well as other areas in Hinds, Rankin and Madison Counties, Mississippi:

General residential contactors including framing, drywall, painting electrical, HVAC, insulation, plumbing, roofing, tree removal, site prep, and foundation repair contractors for the purpose of remodeling homes.

Contracts may be bundled to cover up to 5 houses with the possibility of an extension to cover one or more additional projects.

Qualifications: All contractors must provide Mississippi Board of Contractors license. All contractors and subs must provide current evidence of general liability and workers' compensation insurance. Licenses and bonds must also be submitted. where required.

HFHMCA is an equal opportunity employer (EOE). HFHMCA does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, national origin, disability, marital/familial status and political beliefs. Proposals are solicited from small, women and minority owned businesses and certified Section 3 businesses

HFHMCA is licensed by the Mississippi Department of Banking and Consumer Finance, NMLS Number 283632. For information contact:

Habitat for Humanity Mississippi Capital Area 615 Stonewall Street Jackson, MS 39213 601-353-6060 Kelle Menogan at menogan@habitatmca.org

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS City of Jackson Jackson, Mississippi

Sealed, signed bids are invited and will be received by the City of Jackson, Mississippi, until 3:30 P.M. in the City Clerk's Office of Jackson, the bid must be stamped in by 3:30 P.M. Tuesday, February 4, 2020, at which time said bids will be publicly opened at the City Hall located at 219 South President Street (City Council Chambers) in City Hall for the following:

75021-020420 Twenty-Four Month Supply of Portland Cement BIDS ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT WWW.JACKSONMS.GOV

"Official bid documents can be downloaded from Central Bidding at www. centralbidding.com. Electronic bids and/or reverse auction bids can be submitted www.centralbidding.com. For any question relating to the electronic bidding process, please call Central Bidding at 225-810-4814."

The above must comply with the City's specifications. Copies of proposal forms can be obtained from the Purchasing Division, 200 South President Street, Room 604, Hood Building, and Jackson, Mississippi 39201. Copies of Bid specifications are filed with the City Clerk for public record in accordance with House Bill No 999, 1986 Regular Session of the Mississippi Legislature.

The City of Jackson is committed to the principle of non-discrimination in Public Purchasing. It is the policy of the City of Jackson to promote full and equal business opportunities for all persons doing business with the City. As a pre-condition to selection, each contractor, bidder or offer shall submit a completed and signed Equal Business Opportunity (EBO) Plan Application, with each bid submission, in accordance with the provisions set forth by authority of the City of Jackson's EBO Ordinance. Failure to comply with the City's EBO Ordinance shall disqualify a contractor, bidder or offer, from being awarded an eligible contract. For more information on the City's EBO Program, please contact the Office of Economic Development at (601)960-1851. Copies of the EBO Ordinance, EBO Plan Application and a copy of the EBO Program are available with the Office of Economic Development at 218 South President Street, Second Floor, and Jackson, Mississippi.

The City reserves the right to reject any and all Bids. The City also reserves the right to waive any and all informalities in respect to any Bid submitted. Bid awards will be made to the lowest and best company submitting the lowest net price in accordance with specifications. The award could be according to the lowest cost per item; or to the lowest total cost for all items; or to accept all or part of any proposal. Delivery time may be considered when evaluating the Bid proposal. In those cases where it is known prior to advertising that the City's intention is to award according to the lowest total cost for all items, or in some variation thereof, statements to this affect will be included on the proposal form. Absence of such statement means the City will make that determination during the Bid review.

Destiney Williams, Purchasing Manager Purchasing Division (601) 960-1533

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1-9-2020, 1-16-2020

A COMMUNITY SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

Individuals who would like to know more information about housing discrimination and what protections and rights they have under the Fair Housing Act may contact the Community Students Learning Center's Project F.A.I.R. (Fair Access, Information, and Resources), a U.S. HUD Fair Housing Initiative Program (FHIP), at (662) 834-0905.

The Fair Housing Act makes it unlawful to discriminate in housing because of these protected characteristics: Race, Color, National Origin, Religion, Sex, Familial status (families with children under the age of 18, or who are expecting a child), and Disability (if you or a person you are associated with has a disability).

The Community Students Learning Center's Project F.A.I.R. is located at 333 Yazoo Street, Lexington, MS 39095. Telephone: 662-834-0905 • Fax: 662-834-0906. Website: http://communitystudentlearning.org/

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE II, DIVISION 4 AND

ADDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE III, DIVISION 9 OF THE JACKSON CODE OF

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The City Clerk is to be appointed by the mayor and confirmed by the city council. The

ORDINANCES. WHEREAS; Section 21-8-13 of the Miss. Code Ann. specifically authorizes the City Council to "...appoint a clerk of the council and deputy clerks, as necessary, who shall

compile the minutes and records of its proceedings, its ordinances and resolutions as this chapter requires, and perform such duties as may be required by law...."; and WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 21-8-23 of the Miss. Code Ann. and prevailing Attorney General opinions, the "City Clerk" (also referred to in the law as "Municipal Clerk") in a Mayor-Council form of government, is appointed by "...the mayor and confirmed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the council present and voting..."; WHEREAS, the City of Jackson ("City") by ordinance presently has operated with

one preeminent clerk who performs the duties of both "Clerk of the Council" and "City Clerk": and WHEREAS, the governing authorities find it in the best interest of the City to (1) formally separate the two positions, as well as the underlying deputy positions, and

(2) define the duties and responsibilities of those positions; and WHEREAS, the governing authorities find that Sections 2-131 through 2-135 of the Jackson Code of Ordinances should be amended as follows (deleted language

denoted in strikethroughs, and added language denoted in underlined italics):

Sec. 2-131. - Clerk of the Council—Appointment; responsibilities. The clerk of the council is to be appointed by an affirmative vote of the majority of the

council with respect to those duties inherent by law.

Sec. 2-132. Clerk of the Council —Attendance of council meetings. The clerk of the council shall attend all council meetings and compile or direct compilation of all minutes of the meetings. In absence of the clerk of the council, the

council members present and voting. The clerk of the council is responsible to the full

duties of the clerk of the council shall be performed by that person serving as the chief deputy clerk of the council. Sec. 2-133. - Same Clerk of the Council —Keeping of minutes and records.

The clerk of the council shall compile the minutes, and records of Council proceedings,

its ordinances and resolutions and perform such duties as may be required by law.

However, the City Clerk shall have custody of all said records of the council, and shall be responsible for publication of all matters which require publication by law. The minutes of the council shall be open to the public to the fullest extent allowed by law. Sec. 2-134. - Same Clerk of the Council —Agenda and notices. The clerk of the council shall be responsible for preparation of an agenda for all

A chief deputy clerk of the council and seven or more deputy clerks of the council may be employed and assigned to provide clerical support and to perform such other duties as required by councilmembers. These clerks shall be appointed in the same

manner as the clerk of the council. Sec. 2-136. - Employees of the Clerk of the Council's office. The clerk of the council shall plan and assign work and exercise general supervision

and Sections be added to Chapter 2, Article III of the Jackson Code of Ordinances:

Sec. 2-325. - City Clerk—Appointment; responsibilities.

City Clerk is responsible for duties inherent by law. The City Clerk shall perform all the duties referenced in the Mississippi Code Annotated and the Jackson Code of Ordinances as belonging to the "Clerk," "Municipal Clerk," or "City Clerk."

Sec. 2-326. – City Clerk—Attendance of council meetings.

The City Clerk shall attend all council meetings and, subsequent to the meeting, shall receive the compiled minutes from the Clerk of the Council for recordation. In the absence of the City Clerk, the duties of the City Clerk shall be performed by that person serving as the Chief Deputy Clerk of the municipality. Sec. 2-327. - City Clerk—Keeping of minutes and records.

The Clerk of the Council shall compile the minutes and records of all proceedings

of the council, its ordinances and resolutions. The City Clerk shall keep the official minutes of the proceedings of the council, shall have custody of records of the municipality, and shall be responsible for publication of all matters which require publication by law. The minutes of the council shall be open to the public to the fullest extent allowed by law.

Sec. 2-328. - Deputy City Clerks. In addition to the personnel already authorized or as may be authorized in the future

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THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF

JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, THAT Sections 2-131 through 2-135 of the Jackson Code

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Deputy City Clerks, and clerical employees that are assigned to the City Clerk.

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DIVISION 9. - CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

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BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the following new Division and Sections be added

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Sec. 2-329. - Employees of the City Clerk's office. The City Clerk shall plan and assign work and exercise general supervision of the Deputy City Clerks, and clerical employees that are assigned to the City Clerk.

IT IS FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30)

employed and assigned to provide clerical support and to perform such other duties

days after passage and publication thereof. Council Member Tillman moved adoption; Council Member Priester seconded.

Yeas- Foote, Lindsay, Priester and Tillman,

Nays- Banks, Stamps and Stokes ATTEST:

Kristi Moore

City Clerk I, Kristi Moore, the duly appointed qualified City Clerk and lawful custodian of records

is a true and exact copy of an Order passed by the City Council at its Special Council Meeting on December 20, 2019 and recorded in Minute Book "6Q, Pgs. 319-322". WITNESS my signature and official seal of office, this the 9th day of January, 2020.

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Kristi Moore, City Clerk

but not limited to, housing, economic development and grants, federal programs,

public transportation/JATRAN, building and permits, and community improvement.

(8) Parks and recreation. The parks and recreation department shall perform a

variety of recreational services including maintenance, programming, athletics,

(9) Constituent services and information. The constituent services and information

department shall be responsible for the quality and content of information regarding

city government. This department will serve as an information conduit for the city

council, department heads, employees, and citizens. This department will also

conduct site visits with businesses and citizens to identify problems and find solutions before they become unmanageable. The divisions of Action Line, Public Education

and Government (PEG) Television, publications, public relations and quality of life,

(10) Municipal clerk. The department of municipal clerk shall perform the functions

of and duties of the municipal clerk as inherent by law, and those duties referenced

in the Mississippi Code Annotated (1972), as amended as belonging to the "clerk",

"municipal clerk", or "city clerk". The municipal clerk shall attend all council meetings

and, subsequent to the meeting, shall receive the compiled minutes from the clerk

of council for recordation. The municipal clerk shall keep the official minutes of the

proceedings of the council, shall have custody of records of the municipality, and shall

be responsible for publication of all matters which require publication by law. In the

absence of the municipal clerk, the duties of the municipal clerk shall be performed

by that person serving as the chief deputy clerk of municipality. The municipal clerk shall plan and assign work and exercise general supervision of the deputy municipal

IT IS FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30)

I, Kristi Moore, the duly appointed qualified City Clerk and lawful custodian of records

of the Council and seal of said City of Jackson, Mississippi, certify that the foregoing

is a true and exact copy of an Order passed by the City Council at its Special Council

Meeting on December 20, 2019 and recorded in Minute Book "6Q, Pgs. 323-325".

WITNESS my signature and official seal of office, this the 9th day of January, 2020.

Kristi Moore, City Clerk

Council Member Tillman moved adoption; Council Member Priester seconded.

clerks, and clerical employees that are assigned to the municipal clerk.

days after passage and publication thereof.

Yeas- Foote, Lindsay, Priester and Tillman.

Navs- Banks, Stamps and Stokes,

Absent- None.

ATTEST:

Kristi Moore

City Clerk

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special events and the administration of contract facilities.

of the Council and seal of said City of Jackson, Mississippi, certify that the foregoing

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department shall be responsible for the quality and content of information regarding city government. This department will serve as an information conduit for the city

as amended, and prevailing Attorney General opinions, the "City Clerk" (also referred to in the law as "Municipal Clerk") in a Mayor-Council form of government, is appointed by "...the mayor and confirmed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the council present and voting ..."; and

ORDINANCES.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 21-8-23 of the Mississippi Code Annotated (1972),

(1) formally separate the two positions, as well as the underlying deputy positions, and (2) define the duties and responsibilities of those positions; thus, requiring the

creation of a new municipal department of municipal clerk; and

principal functions:

Code of Ordinances should be amended as follows to create a department of municipal clerk (added language denoted in underlined italics): Sec. 2-336. - Creation; functions. There are hereby created the following departments which shall have the following

office of publications, record retention, purchasing, communications center,

telecommunications and municipal court services. (2) Fire. The fire department shall perform the functions of fire prevention, suppression and education. (3) Police. The police department shall perform the functions of crime prevention and suppression, animal control, youth court, and community improvement.

water and sewer engineering and maintenance; streets, bridges and drainage engineering and maintenance; traffic engineering and maintenance; water/sewer business administration, right-of-way maintenance; cemetery maintenance; building maintenance; wastewater treatment plant contract administration and maintenance of wastewater collector system, solid waste collection contract administration;

(4) Public works. The public works department shall perform the functions of

(6) Personnel management. The personnel management department shall perform all personnel management functions including the administration of benefits.

public transportation/JATRAN, building and permits, and community improvement. (8) Parks and recreation. The parks and recreation department shall perform a variety of recreational services including maintenance, programming, athletics,

before they become unmanageable. The divisions of Action Line, Public Education and Government (PEG) Television, publications, public relations and quality of life, and related duties shall be under this department. (10) Municipal clerk. The department of municipal clerk shall perform the functions of and duties of the municipal clerk as inherent by law, and those duties referenced in the Mississippi Code Annotated (1972), as amended as belonging to the "clerk", "municipal clerk", or "city clerk". The municipal clerk shall attend all council meetings and, subsequent to the meeting, shall receive the compiled minutes from the clerk of council for recordation. The municipal clerk shall keep the official minutes of the

proceedings of the council, shall have custody of records of the municipality, and shall

be responsible for publication of all matters which require publication by law. In the

absence of the municipal clerk, the duties of the municipal clerk shall be performed

by that person serving as the chief deputy clerk of municipality. The municipal clerk

shall plan and assign work and exercise general supervision of the deputy municipal

clerks, and clerical employees that are assigned to the municipal clerk.

In addition to departmental functions specified in this section, such departments shall have such additional responsibilities as the mayor or council may from time to time THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, THAT Section 2-336 of the Jackson Code of Ordinances

There are hereby created the following departments which shall have the following

office of publications, record retention, purchasing, communications center,

principal functions: (1) Administration. The department of administration shall perform the functions of finance and management information systems, fleet management,

telecommunications and municipal court services. (2) Fire. The fire department shall perform the functions of fire prevention, suppression (3) Police. The police department shall perform the functions of crime prevention and suppression, animal control, youth court, and community improvement.

engineering and maintenance; traffic engineering and maintenance; water/sewer business administration, right-of-way maintenance; cemetery maintenance; building maintenance; wastewater treatment plant contract administration and maintenance of wastewater collector system, solid waste collection contract administration; management of water treatment and distribution facilities; administration of the pest control contract; central supply, and custodial services. (5) Human and cultural services. The human and cultural services department shall perform the functions of senior services, early childhood education, museums, art

(6) Personnel management. The personnel management department shall perform all personnel management functions including the administration of benefits. (7) Planning and development. The planning and development department shall perform the functions of planning and zoning, developmental assistance including,

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WHEREAS, the United State Environmental Protection Agency has requested that the City make certain amendments to the original ordinance to place a sunset provision on the grandfather clause.

SECTION 1. Section 122-177 (a) is amended as follows:

Sec. 122-177. - FOG Control Plan and Fees

to install a grease control device on or before June 30, 2023. However, if a FOG causes or significantly contributes to a blockage or system problem, as documented Yeas- Banks, Foote, Lindsay, Priester, Stamps and Tillman. Navs- None

Council Member Priester moved adoption; President Lindsay seconded.

Absent- Stokes. ATTEST:

I, Kristi Moore, the duly appointed qualified City Clerk and lawful custodian of records of the Council and seal of said City of Jackson, Mississippi, certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of an Order passed by the City Council at its Regular Council

Kristi Moore City Clerk

Meeting on December 10, 2019 and recorded in Minute Book "6Q, Pgs. 285-286" WITNESS my signature and official seal of office, this the 7th day of January, 2020.

Kristi Moore, City Clerk

regular and special meetings and notices for same. Sec. 2-135. - Deputy Clerks of the Council.

of the chief deputy clerk of the council and deputy clerks of the council. WHEREAS, the governing authorities find that the following new Division

DIVISION 9. - CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE IV, SECTION 2-336, DEPARTMENTS CREATION; FUNCTIONS OF THE JACKSON CODE OF

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson ("City") by ordinance presently has operated with one preeminent clerk who performs the duties of both "Clerk of the Council" and "City Clerk"; and WHEREAS, the governing authorities find it in the best interest of the City to

WHEREAS, the governing authorities find that Section 2-336 of the Jackson

(1) Administration. The department of administration shall perform the functions of finance and management information systems, fleet management,

management of water treatment and distribution facilities; administration of the pest control contract; central supply, and custodial services. (5) Human and cultural services. The human and cultural services department shall perform the functions of senior services, early childhood education, museums, art galleries, arts centers, auditoriums and planetariums.

(7) Planning and development. The planning and development department shall perform the functions of planning and zoning, developmental assistance including, but not limited to, housing, economic development and grants, federal programs,

special events and the administration of contract facilities. (9) Constituent services and information. The constituent services and information

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 122-177 (a) OF ARTICLE II.-SEWAGE

DISPOSAL STANDARDS TO CREATE A FATS, OILS, AND GREASE (FOG)

CONTROL PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson entered into a Consent Decree with the State of

Mississippi and the United States of America on March 1, 2013 in the case entitled,

United States of America and the State of Mississippi vs. The City of Jackson. Mississippi, No. 3:12-cv-790 TSL-MTP, United States District Court for the Southern

WHEREAS, the Consent Decree requires the City to implement certain Capacity,

Management, Operations, and Maintenance program, including a fats, oils, and

WHEREAS, the City of Jackson submitted a proposed FOG Control Program to the

United States Environmental Protection Administration, Region IV, for review and

grease (FOG) control program; and

DIVISION 5. - FATS, OILS AND GREASE CONTROL PROGRAM

discharge to the City's sanitary collection system from such a lawfully existing FSE

approval, which included a commitment to revise the City's ordinances to implement

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the FOG Control Program and enforce compliance with it; and WHEREAS, the City initially adopted this Ordinance with a grandfather provision that

exempted Food Service Establishments (FSE) existing at the time of its enactment unless their discharge of fats, oils, and grease cause a sanitary sewer overflow or

(4) Public works. The public works department shall perform the functions of water and sewer engineering and maintenance; streets, bridges and drainage

galleries, arts centers, auditoriums and planetariums.

is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2-336. - Creation; functions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI:

(a) FSEs lawfully in existence as of the date of this ordinance shall be required

by the Director of the Department of Public Works such FSE shall be required to submit a FOG Control Plan and install a grease control device. Such a lawfully existing FSE shall submit their FOG Control Plan and install their grease control device within 30 days of notice from the Director of the Department of Public Works. SECTION 2. This ordinance shall be effective thirty days after enactment and following publication

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SECTION 1

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS - NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS **TOUGALOO SENIOR CENTER** Jackson, Mississippi PROJECT NO. 20B4003.201

Sealed bids will be received by the City of Jackson, Mississippi, until 3:30 P.M. CST, Tuesday, February 11, 2020 at the City Clerk's Office located at 219 S. President St., for supplying all labor, materials and equipment as required under the plans and specifications for the construction of Tougaloo Senior Center, City Project No. 20B4003.201. Please address envelope to City Clerk, P.O. Box 17, Jackson, MS 39205.

The entire project must be completed within (30) calendar days. The contract will be subject to liquidated damages in the amount five hundred (\$500.00) per calendar day for each consecutive calendar day in which the contract

The City of Jackson is committed to the principle of non-discrimination in public contracting. It is the policy of the City of Jackson to promote full an equal business opportunity for all persons doing business with the City. As a precondition to selection, each contractor, bidder or offeror shall submit a completed and signed Equal Business Opportunity (EBO) plan. Failure to comply with the City's ordinance shall disqualify a contractor, bidder or offeror from being awarded an eligible contract. For more information on the City of Jackson's Equal Business Opportunity Program, please contact Michael Davis with the office of Economic Development at (601) 960-1856. Copies of the ordinance, EBO Plan Applications and a copy of the Program are available at 200 South President Street, Warren Hood Building, Second Floor, Jackson, Mississippi.

The City of Jackson, Mississippi ("City of Jackson") is committed to cultivating and ensuring the quality of life of its citizens, through various programs, employment, initiatives, and assistance. The City encourages all persons, corporations, and/or entities doing business within the City, as well as those who seek to contract with the City on various projects and/or conduct business in the City to assist the City in achieving its goal by strongly considering City residents for employment opportunities.

The City of Jackson hereby notifies all bidders that in compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 2000d to 2000d-4 that all bidders will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, national origin, sex, or disability in consideration for an award.

Contract Drawings, Contract Specifications, and Proposals forms are on file and open to public inspection on the 4th floor (Engineering Division) of the Warren Hood Building located at 200 South President Street, Jackson, MS 39205. One (1) copy of the Plans, Specifications, and Contract Documents may be procured at the Engineering Division office on the 4th Floor of the Hood Building, upon payment of \$100.00 dollars for each set, which will not be refunded. All request and questions regarding plans and specifications can be directed to Tony Howard, Project Construction Manager, (601) 960-1651. The Standard Specifications adopted by the City Council may be procured from the Department of Public Works, if desired upon payment of \$5.00 dollars for each specification.

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held on January 22, 2020, at 10:00 A.M. local time, in the 5th floor conference room of the Warren Hood Building, 200 South President Street.

.Jackson, Mississippi. All potential contractors, subcontractors, and other interested parties are encouraged to attend.

"Official bid documents can be downloaded from Central Bidding at www. centralbidding.com. Electronic bids can be submitted at www.centralbidding. com. For any questions relating to the electronic bidding process, please call Central Bidding at 225-810-4814."

Bidders must be qualified under Mississippi law and possess a certificate of responsibility issued by the Mississippi State Board of Contractors establishing its classification as to the value and type of construction on which it is authorized to bid. Each bidder must deposit with its proposal, a bid bond or certified check in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total bid for the work, payable to the City of Jackson, as the bid security.

The successful bidder shall furnish a Performance Bond and Payment Bond each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract amount awarded. Attorneys-in-fact who sign Bid Bonds or Payment Bonds and Performance Bonds must file with each bond a certified and effective dated copy of their power of attorney.

Proposals shall be submitted in triplicate, sealed and deposited with the City of Jackson's City Clerk prior to the hour and date designated above. Each bidder shall write its certificate of responsibility number on the outside of the sealed envelope containing its proposal.

The City of Jackson reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any and all informalities.

Robert K. Miller Director of Public Works Housing & Community Development Vanessa Henderson Deputy Director

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS - NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS **SYKES SENIOR CENTER** Jackson, Mississippi

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PROJECT NO. 20B4004.601

Sealed bids will be received by the City of Jackson, Mississippi, until 3:30 P.M. CST, Tuesday, February 11, 2020 at the City Clerk's Office located at 219 S. President St., for supplying all labor, materials and equipment as required under the plans and specifications for the construction of Sykes Senior Center, City Project No. 20B4004.601. Please address envelope to City Clerk, P.O. Box 17, Jackson, MS 39205.

The entire project must be completed within (30) calendar days. The contract will be subject to liquidated damages in the amount five hundred (\$500.00) per calendar day for each consecutive calendar day in which the contract time is exceeded.

The City of Jackson is committed to the principle of non-discrimination in public contracting. It is the policy of the City of Jackson to promote full an equal business opportunity for all persons doing business with the City. As a precondition to selection, each contractor, bidder or offeror shall submit a completed and signed Equal Business Opportunity (EBO) plan. Failure to comply with the City's ordinance shall disqualify a contractor, bidder or offeror from being awarded an eligible contract. For more information on the City of Jackson's Equal Business Opportunity Program, please contact Michael Davis with the office of Economic Development at (601) 960-1856. Copies of the ordinance, EBO Plan Applications and a copy of the Program are available at 200 South President Street, Warren Hood Building, Second Floor, Jackson, Mississippi,

cultivating and ensuring the quality of life of its citizens, through various programs, employment, initiatives, and assistance. The City encourages all persons, corporations, and/or entities doing business within the City, as well as those who seek to contract with the City on various projects and/or conduct business in the City to assist the City in achieving its goal by strongly considering City residents for employment opportunities.

The City of Jackson, Mississippi ("City of Jackson") is committed to

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Contract Drawings, Contract Specifications, and Proposals forms are on file and open to public inspection on the 4th floor (Engineering Division) of the Warren Hood Building located at 200 South President Street, Jackson, MS 39205. One (1) copy of the Plans, Specifications, and Contract Documents may be procured at the Engineering Division office on the 4th Floor of the Hood Building, upon payment of \$100.00 dollars for each set, which will not be refunded. All request and questions regarding plans and specifications can be directed to Tony Howard, Project Construction Manager, (601) 960-1651. The Standard Specifications adopted by the City Council may be procured from the Department of Public Works, if desired upon payment of \$5.00 dollars for each specification.

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held on January 22, 2020, at 10:00 A.M. local time, in the 5th floor conference room of the Warren Hood Building, 200 South President Street,

.Jackson, Mississippi. All potential contractors, subcontractors, and other interested parties are encouraged to attend.

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Bidders must be qualified under Mississippi law and possess a certificate of responsibility issued by the Mississippi State Board of Contractors establishing its classification as to the value and type of construction on which it is authorized to bid. Each bidder must deposit with its proposal, a bid bond or certified check in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total bid for the work, payable to the City of Jackson, as the bid security.

The successful bidder shall furnish a Performance Bond and Payment Bond each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract amount awarded. Attorneys-in-fact who sign Bid Bonds or Payment Bonds and Performance Bonds must file with each bond a certified and effective dated copy of their power of attorney.

of Jackson's City Clerk prior to the hour and date designated above. Each bidder shall write its certificate of responsibility number on the outside of the sealed envelope containing its proposal.

Proposals shall be submitted in triplicate, sealed and deposited with the City

The City of Jackson reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any and all informalities.

Robert K. Miller Director of Public Works Housing & Community Development Vanessa Henderson Deputy Director

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS - NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS **CHAMPION SENIOR CENTER** Jackson, Mississippi PROJECT NO. 20B4005.501

Sealed bids will be received by the City of Jackson, Mississippi, until 3:30 P.M. CST, Tuesday, February 11, 2020 at the City Clerk's Office located at 219 S. President St., for supplying all labor, materials and equipment as required under the plans and specifications for the construction of Champion Senior Center, City Project No. 20B4005.501. Please address envelope to City Clerk, P.O. Box 17, Jackson, MS 39205.

The entire project must be completed within (30) calendar days. The contract will be subject to liquidated damages in the amount five hundred (\$500.00) per calendar day for each consecutive calendar day in which the contract time is exceeded.

The City of Jackson is committed to the principle of non-discrimination in

public contracting. It is the policy of the City of Jackson to promote full an equal business opportunity for all persons doing business with the City. As a precondition to selection, each contractor, bidder or offeror shall submit a completed and signed Equal Business Opportunity (EBO) plan. Failure to comply with the City's ordinance shall disqualify a contractor, bidder or offeror from being awarded an eligible contract. For more information on the City of Jackson's Equal Business Opportunity Program, please contact Michael Davis with the office of Economic Development at (601) 960-1856. Copies of the ordinance, EBO Plan Applications and a copy of the Program are available at 200 South President Street, Warren Hood Building, Second Floor, Jackson, Mississippi.

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Contract Drawings, Contract Specifications, and Proposals forms are on file

and open to public inspection on the 4th floor (Engineering Division) of the Warren Hood Building located at 200 South President Street, Jackson, MS 39205. One (1) copy of the Plans, Specifications, and Contract Documents may be procured at the Engineering Division office on the 4th Floor of the Hood Building, upon payment of \$100.00 dollars for each set, which will not be refunded. All request and questions regarding plans and specifications can be directed to Tony Howard, Project Construction Manager, (601) 960-1651. The Standard Specifications adopted by the City Council may be procured from the Department of Public Works, if desired upon payment of \$5.00 dollars for each specification.

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held on January 22, 2020, at 10:00 A.M. local time, in the 5th floor conference room of the Warren Hood Building, 200 South President Street.

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Bidders must be qualified under Mississippi law and possess a certificate of responsibility issued by the Mississippi State Board of Contractors establishing its classification as to the value and type of construction on which it is authorized to bid. Each bidder must deposit with its proposal, a bid bond or certified check in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total bid for the work, payable to the City of Jackson, as the bid security.

The successful bidder shall furnish a Performance Bond and Payment Bond each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract amount awarded. Attorneys-in-fact who sign Bid Bonds or Payment Bonds and Performance Bonds must file with each bond a certified and effective dated copy of their power of attorney.

of Jackson's City Clerk prior to the hour and date designated above. Each bidder shall write its certificate of responsibility number on the outside of the sealed envelope containing its proposal.

The City of Jackson reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive

Proposals shall be submitted in triplicate, sealed and deposited with the City

any and all informalities. Robert K. Miller Vanessa Henderson

Director of Public Works Deputy Director Housing & Community Development

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS BY THE JACKSON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY **FOR CONSTRUCTION AND RELATED SERVICES**

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IN CONNECTION WITH THE FAA BUILIDING ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT AT THE JACKSON-MEDGAR WILEY EVERS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

(JMAA PROJECT NO. 001-20)

The Jackson Municipal Airport Authority ("JMAA") will receive sealed bids at the Jackson- Medgar Wiley Evers International Airport ("JAN"), Main Terminal Building, Suite 300, in the City of Jackson, Rankin County, Mississippi, until 2:00 p.m. central time on February 14, 2020 (the "Bid Deadline"), for construction and related services in connection with the Federal Aviation Administration Building Roof Replacement Project at the Jackson-Medgar Wiley Evers International Airport (the "Work").

JMAA will also accept electronic sealed bids as specified in the bid documents. Bids will be accepted until 2:00 p.m. central time on February 14, 2020, Electronic bids can be submitted at www.centralbidding.com. For any questions relating to the electronic bidding process, please call Central Bidding at 225-810-4814.

Once registered, Suppliers can download bid specifications and upload

JMAA will publicly open and read aloud all bids at 2:15 p.m. central time on February 14, 2020 (the "Bid Opening"), in the Staff Conference Room, Third Floor of the Main Terminal Building at JAN.

The outside or exterior of each bid envelope or container of the bid must be marked with the Bidder's company name and Mississippi Certificate of Responsibility Number and with the wording: "Federal Aviation Administration Building Roof Replacement Project at JAN, JMAA Project 001-20." Bid proposals, amendments to bids, or requests for withdrawal of bids received by JMAA after the Bid Deadline will not be considered for any cause whatsoever. JMAA invites Bidders and their authorized representatives to be present at the Bid Opening.

JMAA will award the Work to the Lowest and Best most responsive

and responsible Bidder as determined by JMAA in accordance with the criteria set forth in the Information for Bidders. The Information for Bidders contains, among other things, a copy of this Advertisement for Bids, Instructions to Bidders and an Agreement to be executed by JMAA and the lowest and most responsive and responsible Bidder. Any Addendums issued clarifying and/or changing plans and specifications; clarifying and/or changing instructions in the Instruction to Bidders; and/or answering questions in relation to the Instructions to Bidders, including plans and specifications, shall become part of the Information for Bidders. Plans and specifications related to the Work are considered part of the Agreement.

The Information for Bidders, including plans and specifications, is on file and open for public inspection at JAN at the following address: Jackson-Medgar Wiley Evers International Airport

Suite 300, Main Terminal Building 100 International Drive

Jackson, Mississippi 39208 Telephone: (601) 939-5631 ext. 662

Facsimile: (601) 939-3713

Attention: Deuntagus Herndon, Procurement Specialist

A copy of the plans and specifications for the Work are being made available via digital and original paper copy. Plan holders may register and order plans and specifications from the Jackson Blueprint Online Plan Room website http://planroom.jaxblue.com. There is no charge for registration or to view the documents online. Documents are nonrefundable and must be purchased through the website. All plan holders are required to have a valid email address for registration. A printed bid set is \$75.00 plus \$20.00 shipping and applicable sales tax and an electronic downloadable set is \$25.00 plus applicable sales tax.

Bid Documents may be picked up or shipped to the person making the request. Documents will not be distributed or mailed, however, until payment is received.

For questions regarding website registration and online orders please

contact Jackson Blueprint & Supply at (601)353-5803.

JMAA will hold a Pre-Bid Conference at 10:00 a.m. central time on January 22, 2020 in the Community Room, Main Terminal Building at JAN. Attendance at the Pre-Bid Conference is highly encouraged for all those interested in submitting bids as a Prime Contractor for the Work and persons seeking opportunities to provide work as a Sub-Contractor. The benefits of attendance include networking opportunities between Prime Contractors and Sub-Contractors, as well as the opportunity to be on a list of contacts that will be published to interested parties as part of the minutes from the Pre-Bid Conference; review of the plans and specifications; and a site visit of the area covered in the scope of work. No site visits will be scheduled other than the one provided during the Pre-Bid conference.

JMAA reserves the right to amend the plans and specifications for the Work by Addendum issued before the Bid Deadline; to reject any and all bids; to waive informalities in the bidding process; and to hold and examine bids for up to ninety (90) days before awarding the Contract to perform the Work.

If it becomes necessary to revise any aspect of this Request for Bids or to provide additional information to Bidders, JMAA will issue one or more Addenda by posting on JMAA's website (https://jmaa.com/corporate/ partner-with-us/procurement/). JMAA will also endeavor to deliver a copy of each Addendum, to all persons on record with JMAA as receiving a copy of the Information for Bidders, via email.

JMAA has established a DBE participation goal of 17% for the Work solicited by this RFB.

JACKSON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY DATE: January 8, 2020 /s/ Darrion Warren Darion Warren, Interim Chief Executive Officer

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ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI AMENDING CHAPTER 10 OF THE JACKSON CODE OF ORDINANCES TO ALLOW THE SALE, POSSESSION, AND CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT THE SMITH ROBERTSON MUSEUM

WHEREAS, the Department of Human and Cultural Services desires to allow the sale, possession, and consumption of alcoholic beverages at the Smith Robertson Museum to attract various events to said venue: and

WHEREAS, the Jackson City Council finds it in the best interest of the City of Jackson to allow the same: and

WHEREAS, the governing authorities find that Section 10-3 should be added as follows (added language denoted in underlined italics), and removed as follows (language to be removed is stricken through):

Sec. 10-3. - Sale, possession and consumption on public property.

(a) It shall be unlawful for any persons to have in his possession or to consume any alcoholic beverage in or on any public grounds, building, park or place owned, maintained and operated by the city, except as follows:

(1) It shall be lawful to sale, possess and consume alcoholic beverages in the Davis Planetarium, Mississippi Arts Center, Union Station, Smith Robertson Museum, and Thalia Mara hall.

(2) It shall be lawful to sale, possess and consume alcoholic beverages at Private functions by special reservation at the Municipal Art Gallery; and Mynelle Gardens.

(3) It shall be lawful for beer to be sold and consumed at Smith Wills Stadium, any municipal golf course, and at any other privately managed city facility except it shall be expressly unlawful for beer to be sold at any high school athletic event.

(4) It shall be lawful to possess and consume wine at wedding receptions held in any community center by special reservation and any future privately managed public facility approved by the administration.

(5) It shall be lawful to consume and possess alcoholic beverages at events sponsored by Jackson Zoological Park.

(6) It shall be lawful for beer to be sold and consumed at all facilities and parks managed by the Department of Parks and Recreation only during national tournament events except it shall be unlawful for beer to be sold at

(b) The sale, possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages as authorized in subsection (a) of this section is subject to compliance with all

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, THAT Chapter 10 of the Jackson Code of Ordinances is amended to add and remove language in Section 10-3 ad follows:

Sec. 10-3. -Sale, possession and consumption on public property.

(a) It shall be unlawful for any persons to have in his possession or to consume any alcoholic beverage in or on any public grounds, building, park or place owned, maintained and operated by the city, except as follows:

(1) It shall be lawful to sell, possess and consume alcoholic beverages in the Davis Planetarium, Mississippi Arts Center, Union Station, Smith Robertson

(2) It shall be lawful to sell, possess and consume alcoholic beverages at Private functions by special reservation at the Municipal Art Gallery and

It shall be lawful or beer to be sold and consumed at Smith Wills Stadium, any municipal golf course, and at any other privately managed city facility except it shall be expressly unlawful for beer to be sold at any high school

(4) It shall be lawful to possess and consume wine at wedding receptions held in any community center by special reservation and any future privately managed public facility approved by the administration.

(5) It shall be lawful to consume and possess alcoholic beverages at events sponsored by Jackson Zoological Park.

(6) It shall be lawful for beer to be sold and consumed at all facilities and parks managed by the Department of Parks and Recreation only during national tournament events except it shall be unlawful for beer to be sold at any high school athletic event.

(b) the sale, possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages as authorized in subsection (a) of this section is subject to compliance with all applicable state laws and regulation.

This ordinance shall be effective thirty (30) days following its adoption and publication.

Council Member Priester moved adoption; Council Member Tillman seconded.

Yeas- Banks, Foote, Lindsay, Priester, Stamps and Tillman. Nays- None.

Absent- Stokes

Kristi Moore City Clerk

I, Kristi Moore, the duly appointed qualified City Clerk and lawful custodian of records of the Council and seal of said City of Jackson, Mississippi, certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of an Order passed by the City Council at its Regular Council Meeting on December 10, 2019 and recorded in Minute Book "6Q, Pgs. 286-287".

WITNESS my signature and official seal of office, this the 7th day of January,

Kristi Moore, City Clerk

1-16-2020, 1-23-2020

LEGAL

ORDINANCE GRANTING FLOYD MARSHALL JR. A REZONING FROM R-1 (SINGLE-FAMILY) RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT & R-4 (LIMITED MULTI-FAMILY) RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO C-2 (LIMITED) COMMERCIAL DISTRICT TO ELIMINATE ANY NONCONFORMING USES AND CREATE A MORE SUSTAINABLE AND VIABLE COMMERCIAL NODE ALONG THE MEDGAR EVERS CORRIDOR FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 3703 MEDGAR EVERS BLVD (PARCEL 408-409) & (PARCEL 408-486), CASE

WHEREAS, Floyd Marshall Jr. has filed a petition to rezone property located at 3703 Medgar Evers Blvd (Parcel 408-409) & (Parcels 408-403, 408-405, 408-406, 408-407, 408-408 and 408-486), in the City of Jackson, First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, from R-1 (Single-Family) Residential District & R-4 (Limited Multi-family) Residential District to C-2 (Limited) Commercial District to eliminate any nonconforming uses and create a more sustainable and viable commercial node along the Medgar Evers corridor; and

WHEREAS, the Jackson City Planning Board, after holding the required public hearing, has recommended the approval of the rezoning of the property at 3703 Medgar Evers Blvd (Parcel 408-409) & Parcel 408-486 from R-1 (Single-Family) Residential District & R-4 (Limited Multi-family) Residential District to C-2 (Limited) Commercial District to eliminate any nonconforming uses and create a more sustainable and viable commercial node along the Medgar

WHEREAS, notice was duly and legally given to property owners and interested citizens that a meeting of the Council would be held at the City Hall at 2:30 p.m., Monday, December 16, 2019 to consider said change, based upon the record of the case as developed before the City Planning Board; and

WHEREAS, it appeared to the satisfaction of the City Council that notice of said petition had been published in the Jackson Advocate on October 31, 2019 and November 14, 2019 that a hearing had been held by the Jackson City Planning Board on November 20, 2019, all as provided for by ordinances of the City of Jackson and the laws of the State of Mississippi, and that the Jackson City Planning Board had recommended the rezoning of the property located at 3703 Medgar Evers Blvd (Parcel 408-409) & Parcel 408-486 from R-1 (Single-Family) Residential District & R-4 (Limited Multi-family) Residential District to C-2 (Limited) Commercial District; and

that such changes would be in keeping with sound land use practice and to the best interest of the City and that there has been a substantial change in the land use character of the surrounding area that justifies rezoning the property and there is a public need for additional property in that area zoned in accordance with said application since any previous City Council action.

WHEREAS, the Council after having considered the matter, is of the opinion

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI: SECTION 1. That the property located in the City of Jackson, First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, more particular described as follows:

South 'A of LOT THIRTEEN (13) AND LOT FOURTEEN (14) BLOCK 22, ELRAINE RESURVEY, PART TWO (2), a subdivision or plat thereof which is on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County at Jackson, Mississippi in Plat Book 4, at Page 71, reference to which is hereby made in aid and as a part of this description.

LESS AND EXCEPT: .02 acres, more or less, conveyed by John Turner and Aline Turner to State Highway Commission of Mississippi, by Deed dated July 31, 1956, recorded in Book 986 at Page 381.

LOT SIXTEEN (16), BLOCK 30, ELRAINE RESURVEY, PART 2, a subdivision according to a map or plat thereof which is on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County at Jackson, Mississippi in Plat Book 4, at Page 71 thereof, reference to which map or plat is here made in aid and as a

LESS AND EXCEPT: .01 acres, more or less, conveyed by Mrs. Mary V. Courtney to the State Highway Commission of Mississipp. by deed dated May 19, 1956, recorded in Book 976 at Page 316 of the aforesaid records.

It is hereby modified so as to approve the rezoning of the property located at 3703 Vledgar Evers Blvd (Parcel 408-409) Sz., Parcel 408-486 from R-1 (Single-Family) Residential District & R-4 (Limited Multi-family) Residential District to C-2 (Limited) Commercial District to eliminate any nonconforming uses and create a more sustainable and viable commercial node along the Medgar Evers corridor. However, that before for any structure is erected or use thereot on the said property, the applicant must meet the requirements established through the Site Plan Review process. The Zoning Administrator is ordered to note such change on the Official Zoning Map to the City of Jackson,

SECTION 2. That the cost of publication of this Ordinance shall be borne by

SECTION 3. That this Ordinance shall be effective thirty (30) days after its passage and after publication of same by the petitioner. Council Member Banks moved adoption; Council Member Priester seconded.

Yeas- Banks, Foote, Lindsay, Priester and Stamps. Nays- None. Absent- Stokes and Tillman.

Kristi Moore City Clerk

I, Kristi Moore, the duly appointed qualified City Clerk and lawful custodian of records of the Council and seal of said City of Jackson, Mississippi, certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of an Order passed by the City Council at its Zoning Council Meeting on December 16, 2019 and recorded in Minute Book "6Q, Pgs. 295-297".

WITNESS my signature and official seal of office, this the 7th day of January,

SEAL Kristi Moore, City Clerk

1-16-2020

LEGAL

SPECIAL USE DISTRICT TO R-4 (LIMITED MULTI-FAMILY) RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT AND A HEIGHT VARIANCE NOT TO EXCEED 75' FROM THE MAXIMUM BUILDING HEIGHT OF 45' FOR MULTI-FAMILY BUILDINGS IN THE R-4 (LIMITED MULTI-FAMILY) RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO ALLOW FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF MULTI-STORY LUXURY CONDOMINIUM BUILDING FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT A PORTION OF PARCEL 751-7 ON ST. ANDREWS DR., CASE NO. 4075.

ORDINANCE GRANTING ROBERT A. MALOUF A REZONING FROM SUD

WHEREAS, Robert A. Malout' has filed a petition to rezone property located at a portion of Parcel 751-7 on St. Andrews Dr., in the City of Jackson, First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, from SUD — Special Use District to R-4 (Limited Multi-family) Residential District and a height Variance not to exceed 115' to allow for the construction of multi-story luxury condominium

WHEREAS, the Jackson City Planning Board, after holding the required public

hearing, has recommended the approval of the rezoning of the property from SUD — Special Use District to R-4 (Limited Multi-family) Residential District and a height Variance not to exceed 75' from the maximum height of 45' for multi-family buildings in the R-4 (Limited Multi-family) Residential District to allow for the construction of multi-story luxury condominium building; and

WHEREAS, notice was duly and legally given to property owners and interested citizens that a meeting of the Council would be held at the City Hall at 2:30 p.m., Monday, December 16, 2019 to consider said change, based upon the record of the case as developed before the City Planning Board; and

WHEREAS, it appeared to the satisfaction of the City Council that notice of

said petition had been published in the Jackson Advocate on October 31, 2019 and November 14, 2019 that a hearing had been held by the Jackson City Planning Board on November 20, 2019, all as provided for by ordinances of the City of Jackson and the laws of the State of Mississippi, and that the Jackson City Planning Board had recommended the rezoning of the above described property to R-4 (Limited Multi-family) Residential District; and

WHEREAS, the Council after having considered the matter, is of the opinion that such changes would be in keeping with sound land use practice and to the best interest of the City and that there has been a substantial change in the land use character of the surrounding area that justifies rezoning the property and there is a public need for additional property in that area zoned in accordance with said application since any previous City Council action and the granting of the Variance would not confer upon the applicant any special privilege that is denied by the Zoning Ordinance to other similar lands structures or buildings

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF

SECTION 1. That the property located in the City of Jackson, First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, more particular described as follows:

A tract of land being a part of Lot 122, The Country Club of Jackson, a subdivision according to a map or plat on file in Plat Book 20, at Page 24, in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County at Jackson, Mississippi and also being a part of the Northwest Quarter (NW 1 /4) of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4), Section 4, Township 6 North, Range 2 East, City of Jackson, First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly

Commence at the southernmost corner of said Lot 122 and run east along a projection of the south line of Lot 121 of said subdivision a distance of 80.1 feet to a set rebar marking the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence continue east along the last mentioned call a distance of 378 feet to a set rebar; run thence north a distance of 182.5 feet to a set rebar: run thence west a distance of 316.12 feet to the right-of-way of St. Andrews Drive, as shown on Charleton Place, a subdivision according to a plat on file in Plat Book 39, at Page 7, in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County at Jackson, Mississippi; run thence along the arc of a curve bearing to the left, having a radius of 40 feet, marking the north line of the said Lot 122 and the said right-of-way, and having a chord of south 77 degrees 29 minutes 08 seconds west, a distance of 70.68 feet to a set rebar; thence leaving said right-of-way run south 02 degrees 28 minutes east a distance of 167.39 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING, containing 68,084 square feet and/or 1.563 acres, more or less. It is hereby modified so as to approve the rezoning of the property located on a portion of Parcel 751-7 on St. Andrews Dr. from SUD — Special Use District to R-4 (Limited Multi-family) Residential District and a height Variance not to exceed 75' from the maximum height of 45' for multi-family buildings in the R-4 (Limited Multifamily) Residential District to allow for the construction of multi-story luxury condominium building. However, that before for any structure is erected or use thereof on the said property, the applicant must meet the requirements established through the Site Plan Review process. The Zoning Administrator is ordered to note such change on the Official Zoning Map to the City of Jackson, Mississippi. SECTION 2. That the cost of publication of this Ordinance shall be borne by the petitioner. SECTION 3. That this Ordinance shall be effective thirty (30) days after its passage and after publication of same by the petitioner. Council Member Banks moved adoption; President Lindsay seconded.

Yeas- Banks, Foote, Lindsay, Priester and Stamps. Nays- None. Absent- Stokes and Tillman. ATTEST:

Kristi Moore City Clerk

I, Kristi Moore, the duly appointed qualified City Clerk and lawful custodian of records of the Council and seal of said City of Jackson, Mississippi, certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of an Order passed by the City Council at its Zoning Council Meeting on December 16, 2019 and recorded in Minute Book "6Q, Pgs. 295-297".

WITNESS my signature and official seal of office, this the 7th day of January,

SEAL Kris i Moore, City Clerk

1-16-2020

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Sealed, written formal bid proposals for the above bid will be received by the Board of Trustees of the Jackson Public School District, in the Business Office, 662 South President Street, Jackson, Mississippi, until 2:00 P.M. (Local Prevailing Time) February 12, 2020, at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read aloud. A Pre-Bid Conference concerning the project for Provine High School Restroom and Locker Room Renovations will be held at Provine High School, 2400 Robinson Street, Jackson, MS on January 24, 2020 at 1:30 P.M. Attendance at the pre-bid conference is not mandatory but strongly encouraged. The Board of Trustees reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive informalities, and to withhold the acceptance of any bid if approved for forty-five calendar days from the date bids are opened.

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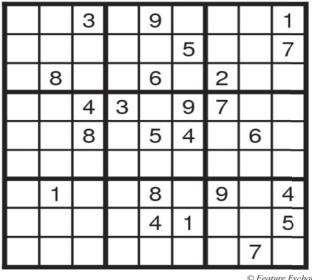
The purpose of this notice is to advise all interested parties, including transit and paratransit operators, of the service being planned for providing transportation services for persons with disabilities within the area as described above, and to ensure that such a program would not represent a duplication of current or of proposed services provided by existing transit or paratransit operators in the area.

Comments either for or against this service will be received at any time within 15 days from the date of this notice. All comments should be addressed to The Jackson Medical Mall Foundation at 601-982-8467.

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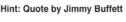
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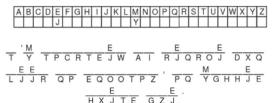


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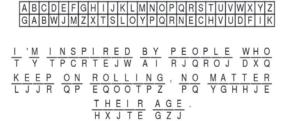




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ORDINANCE GRANTING PRECISION ENGINEERING CORP & REZONING FROM R-1 (SINGLE-FAMILY) RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO C-3 (GENERAL) COMMERCIAL DISTRICT TO ALLOW FOR A RETAIL HOME IMPROVEMENT BUSINESS FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 400 PATANN ST. (PARICEL #731-34), CASE NO. 4968.

WHEREAS, Precision Engineering Corp has filed a petition to resone property located at CO1 Patasa St. (Parcel #731-34), in the City of Jackson, First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, from R-1 (Single-Family) Residential District to C-3 (General) Commercial District to allow for a retail home improvement business; and

WHEREAS, the Jackson City Planning Board, after holding the required public hearing. has offered the recommendation to reason the property from R-I (Single-Family) Residential District to C-3 (General) Commercial District to allow for a retail home improvement business;

WHEREAS, notice was duly and legally given to property owners and interested citizens that a meeting of the Council would be held at the City Hall at 2:30 p.m., Monday, October 21, 2019 to consider said change, based upon the record of the case as developed before the City Planning Board; and

WHEREAS, it appeared to the satisfaction of the City Council that notice of said petition had been published in the Jackson Advocate on September 5, 2019 and September 19, 2019 that a houring had been hold by the Jackson City Planning Board on September 25, 2019, all as provided for by ordinances of the City of Jackson and the laws of the State of Minimippi, and that the Jackson City Flaming Board has offered the recommendation to recome the above described property from R-1 (Single-Family) Residential District to C-3 (General) Commercial District; and

WHEREAS, the Council after having considered the matter, is of the opin changes would be in keeping with sound land use practice and to the best interest of the City and that there has been a substantial change in the land use character of the surrounding area that justifies resoning the property and there in a public need for additional property in that area sound in accordance with the request in said application since any provious City Council action.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI:

Section 1. That the property located in the City of Jackson, First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, more particular described as follows:

Lot Three (5), Block "B", MAGNOLIA SUBDIVISION, a subdivisi plat of said subdivision now on file and of records in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County at Jackson, Mississippi

Beginning at the Southeast corner of Lot 4, Block "B" Magnolia Park, a subdivision, according to the map or plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clork of Hinds County, at Jackson, Minsinippi, in Plat Book 8 at Page 15, reference to which is hereby made, and run thence West along the South line of said Lot 4 for a distance of 100 fort to the South corner of James D. Cook property as more particularly described in-deed of trust in Book 854 at page 382 in the office of the allowaid Chancery Clerk and run thence North along Cook's went line a distance of 152 feet to a point; thence turn to the right and run cast a distance of 100 reald Lot 4; thence routh along the cast line of said Lot 4 a distance of 132 foot to the point of beginning

It is heady modified so as to approve the resusing of the property located at 4301 Patans St. (Purcel #731-340, from It-1 (Single-Family) Residential District to C-3 (General) Commercial District to allow for a retail home improvement business. However, that before for any structure is erected or use thereof on the said property, the applicant must meet the requirements established through the Site Plan Review process. The Zoning Administrator is ordered to note such change on the Official Zoning Map to the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

SECTION 2. That the cost of publication of this Ordinance shall be borne by the petitioner.

SECTION 3. That this Ordinance shall be effective thirty (30) days after its passage and after publication of same by the petitioner.

Caused Member Banks moved adoption; Council Member Priester seconded.

Yeas-Banks, Foote, Lindsay, Priester and Tillman.

Albeont-Stampe and Stolum

ATTEST

Kristi Moore, the duly appointed qualified City Clork and lawful custodian of records of the Council and scal of said City of Jackson, Mississippi, certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of an Order passed by the City Council at its Regular Council Meeting on October 1, 2019 and recorded in Minute Book, "6Q, Fgs. 210-217".

WITNESS my signature and official seal of office, this the | | | | | | day of Documber.

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LEGAL

ORDINANCE GRANTING PRECISION ENGINEERING CORP A REZONING FROM R-1 (SINGLE-FAMILY) RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO C-3 (GENERAL) COMMERCIAL DISTRICT TO ALLOW FOR A RETAIL HOME IMPROVEMENT BUSINESS FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4311 PATANN ST. (PARCEL #731-35), CASE NO. 4069.

WHEREAS, Precision Engineering Corp has filed a petition to rezone property located at 4311 Patann St. (Parcel #731-35), in the City of Jackson, First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, from R-1 (Single-Family) Residential District to C-3 (General) Commercial District to allow for a retail home improvement business; and

WHEREAS, the Jackson City Planning Board, after holding the required public hearing has officed the recommendation to rezone the property from R-1 (Single-Family) Residential District to C-3 (General) Commercial District to allow for a retail home improvement business;

WHEREAS, notice was duly and legally given to property owners and interested citizens that a meeting of the Council would be held at the City Hall at 2:30 p.m., Monday, November 18, 2019 to consider said change, based upon the record of the case as developed before the City Planning Board; and WHEREAS, it appeared to the satisfaction of the City Council that notice of said petition

had been published in the Jackson Advocate on September 5, 2019 and September 19, 2019 that a houring had been held by the Jackson City Planning Board on September 25, 2019, all as provided for by ordinances of the City of Jackson and the laws of the State of Mississippi, and that the Jackson City Planning Board has officed the recommendation to recone the above described property from R-1 (Single-Family) Residential District to C-3 (General) Commercial District; and WHEREAS, the Council after having considered the matter, is of the opinion that such

changes would be in keeping with sound land use practice and to the best interest of the City and that there has been a substantial change in the land use character of the surrounding area that justifies reconing the property and there is a public need for additional property in that area sound in accordance with the request in said application since any previous City Council action.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI:

Section 1. That the property located in the City of Jackson, First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, more particular described as follows One hundred fost (100') off East side of Lot Four (4), Block "B", Magnolia Park, a subdivision

according to the map or plat of said subdivision which of record in the office of the Chancery Clork of Hinds County at Jackson, Mississippi, in Plat Book 8 at Page 15, reference to which is made in aid hereof, LESS AND EXCEPT: One Hundred Fifty-two fost (152") off the South end of said property having previously been conveyed to James D. Kirk, Jr. et ux, as recorded in Book 1528 at Page 233 in the office of the Chancery Clerk as aforesaid. It is hereby modified so as to approve the rezoning of the property located at 4311 Patann St. (Parcel #731-35) from R-1 (Single-Family) Residential District to C-3 (General) Commercial

District to allow for a retail home improvement business. However, that before for any structure is erected or use thereof on the said property, the applicant must most the requirements established through the Site Plan Review process. The Zoning Administrator is ordered to note such change on the Official Zoning Map to the City of Jackson, Mississippi.

SECTION 2. That the cost of publication of this Ordinance shall be borne by the petitioner.

SECTION 3. That this Ordinance shall be effective thirty (30) days after its passage and after publication of same by the potitioner.

Council Member Priester moved adoption; Council Member Banks seco

City Clerk

I, Kristi Moore, the duly appointed qualified City Clerk and lawful custodian of records of the Council and seal of said City of Jackson, Mississippi, certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of an Order passed by the City Council at its Regular Council Meeting on Nevember 18, 2019 and recorded in Minute Book "6Q, Pgs. 217-218".

WITNESS my signature and official seal of office, this the [675]day of December, 2019.

SEAL

Kristi Moore, City Clerk.

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By Keith L. Alexander Mississippi Link Newswire

Inside the illuminated MGM National Harbor towering over the Potomac River, the 3,000seat theater slowly fills with African Americans donned in tuxedos and gowns as Hollywood's and New York's top entertainers mix with some of Washington, D.C.'s bourgeoisie including politicians and business leaders. All have gathered to celebrate the 40th anniversary of Urban One Inc., the nation's largest distributor of news and entertainment aimed solely at black consumers, which also includes the largest African-American owned TV network.

The media company that for decades was known as Radio One Inc. for its stable of radio stations across the country, changed its name in 2017 to Urban One, a new name that reflects, its owners believed, its channeled mission of providing media content to urban audiences via all forms of media through its divisions including radio, television programming with its TV One cable network and now the Internet.

Still at the helm of Urban One is the legendary woman with the mic, camera and now computer keyboard, Cathy Hughes, the company's founder and chairwoman. On this recent night, the 72-year-old energetic and spirited Hughes is also serving as co-host for the 40th anniversary Urban One Honors awards show with comedian Chris Tucker, which is scheduled to air Hughes's TV One network Jan.

The show, however, is already running late before it even began. Taping was supposed to begin 20 minutes ago. But people are still slowly filling their seats. Then, to a round of staccato applause and without an introduction, Hughes, with her broad smile, walked onto the stage. She apologized for the late start. The staffing at the entrances of the MGM, she said, have been slow in allowing audience members through the doors. "But I'll take care of this," she said while putting a finger in the air.

Hughes disappears backstage. And within 10 minutes, as if a dam burst, audience members began rushing into the theater to their seats. Minutes later, the orchestra begins playing and Hughes and Tucker walk on stage arm in arm to begin the two-hour show.

No one messes with Cathy Hughes, especially when she is their boss. That's right, in addition to the various entertainment companies, Urban One also owns nearly 7 percent of the \$1.4 billion, MGM casino, hotel and resort, a purchase the company made when the resort opened three years ago.

As the nation celebrates the birthday of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. this month, those who knew King well, say Hughes and Urban One are the epitome of King's dream.

Dr. Benjamin Chavis, who worked as a youth leader for King in the 1960's, said Hughes was able to break through the historically, white male controlled world of media ownership and create her own media company that she uses to reach millions of people around the world to ensure that the voices of African Americans continue to be shared and visible.



Chris Tucker Ms. Hughes Urban One Honors Show



Eric Benet, Chante Moore, James Ingram Tribute



Jac Ross Performance Urban One Honors



Clarance Avant, Hughes, Alfred Liggins on Urban One Honors **Red Carpet**

Missy Elliott's Music Innovation Honor acceptance with Lil Kim and Da Brat



Pastor Charles Jenkins Performance **Urban One Honors**



Rev. Al Sharpton and Chance the Rapper

"Urban One continues to fulfill Dr. King's dream," Chavis said. "The best way to celebrate black history is to make more history. Cathy Hughes continues to make black history." Chavis is now head of the National Newspaper Publishers Association, made up of more than 200 black-owned newspapers across the country.

The Hughes media story is well known. She began her career in 1969 at an AM radio station in her native Omaha, but left for Washington, D.C. when she was offered a job as a lecturer at Howard University. In 1973, Hughes was named general sales manager of WHUR, Howard's FM radio station. Two years later, Hughes was promoted to general manager. There she created the late night, slow-jam formatted staple called "The Quiet Storm" a signature sound that expanded to radio stations around the country. In that short time, Hughes had taken annual revenues at the station from \$250,000 to more than \$3.5 mil-

In 1979, Hughes and thenhusband Dewey Hughes sought financing to purchase their own radio station and were rejected by 32 banks until 1980 when they secured lending to buy WOL-AM, a tiny Washington, D.C. station located in Northeast Washington. That first station led to the acquisitions of dozens of radio stations around the country. Then in 2004, with her son Alfred C. Liggins III, a Wharton School of Business MBA graduate as chief executive officer, his mother's company, Radio One branched into television by creating TV One, a cable network reaching more than 40 million African-American TV house-

In 2017, TV One changed its name to Urban One after it acquired a collection of Internet media websites, now known as iOne Digital, that focus on news, sports and entertainment stories about and for black audiences.

Today, Urban One is worth, according to Wall Street estimates based on stock price of about \$98 million. The company boasts of reaching 59 million households, 22 million listeners, 40 million video streams, 20 million unique Web visitors. It owns 57 broadcast stations in 15 urban markets, two cable networks and some 80 websites. Hughes works closely with her son who she credits with diversifying Urban One beyond radio and TV.

"This company has a com-

mitment to serving our audience that is evidenced beyond just the mission of making money. It is to build an organization that represents the needs and interests of a community that for the majority of this country's history, hasn't had a voice to fight for it," Liggins, 54, said recently.

Throughout the night at the star-studded awards at the MGM, the influence that Hughes has garnered over the four decades was repeatedly echoed by those who took the stage.

Missy "Misdemeanor" Elliott surrounded on stage by other rap legends Lil Kim and Da Brat, became emotional during her acceptance speech. She described Hughes as "bold, fierce, strong, innovative (and) a visionary." Elliott said a "big" part of her success was due to Urban One. "We are all chosen, but there are certain people chosen to be a vessel," Elliott said of Hughes.

During his acceptance speech, actor and singer Jamie Foxx spoke of when he and director and writer Quentin Tarantino were making the 2012 "Django Unchained," they were concerned about the use of the Nword in the film and how audiences would receive the racist word. Foxx told the audience that he told Tarantino "the only person who could help them" ensure audiences would not be put off by the repeated use of the racist word would be Hughes. So, the two asked Hughes to come to the movie set so she could see the filming and hear the vision behind it. Foxx said they needed Hughes's "blessing" knowing that her influence with audiences could ultimately make or break the film

When he took the stage, Broadway, film and TV performer Billy Porter described how being celebrated by a black media company in front of a predominately black audience, was unusual for out, gay black entertainers. "As a black, queer man in the world, this is such a special day for me. I never felt welcomed. Today in this space, for the first time in my life, I feel like I am a part of this community," Porter said grabbing Hughes's hand as she joined him on stage.

During his acceptance speech, Chance the Rapper described Hughes – or Miss H. as he calls her - as a "trailblazer" and a "maverick" who, he said, "built an entire industry, for us."

Hughes says she plans to continue to build and rebuild the media industry as the technology

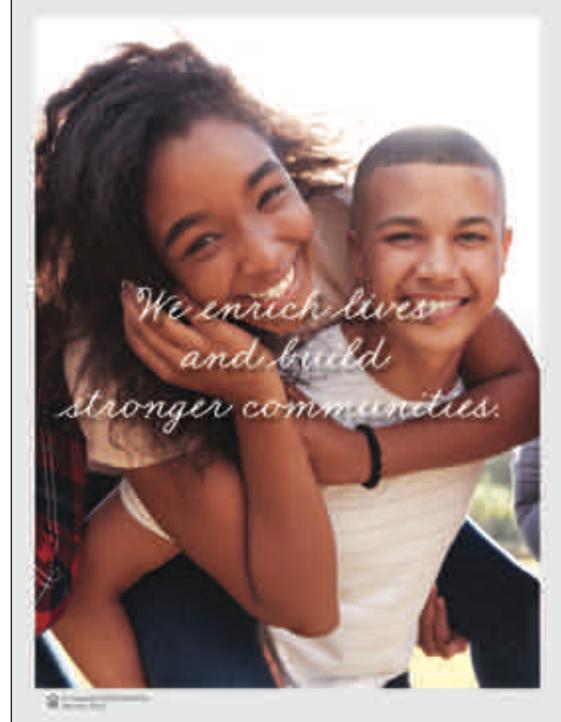
changes how black households receive their information and entertainment.

"Today, we reach 92 percent of black households," Hughes added. "We plan to get to 100 percent."

"If the black audience that we serve decides that they want to receive our messages via carrier pigeon, then I'm getting ready to go into the bird business. I don't know what it will take in the future in order to reach that goal. That will depend on what advances occur in technology."

Urban One's plan, Hughes says, is to ensure the company will be at the center, the premiere go-to media outlet for black

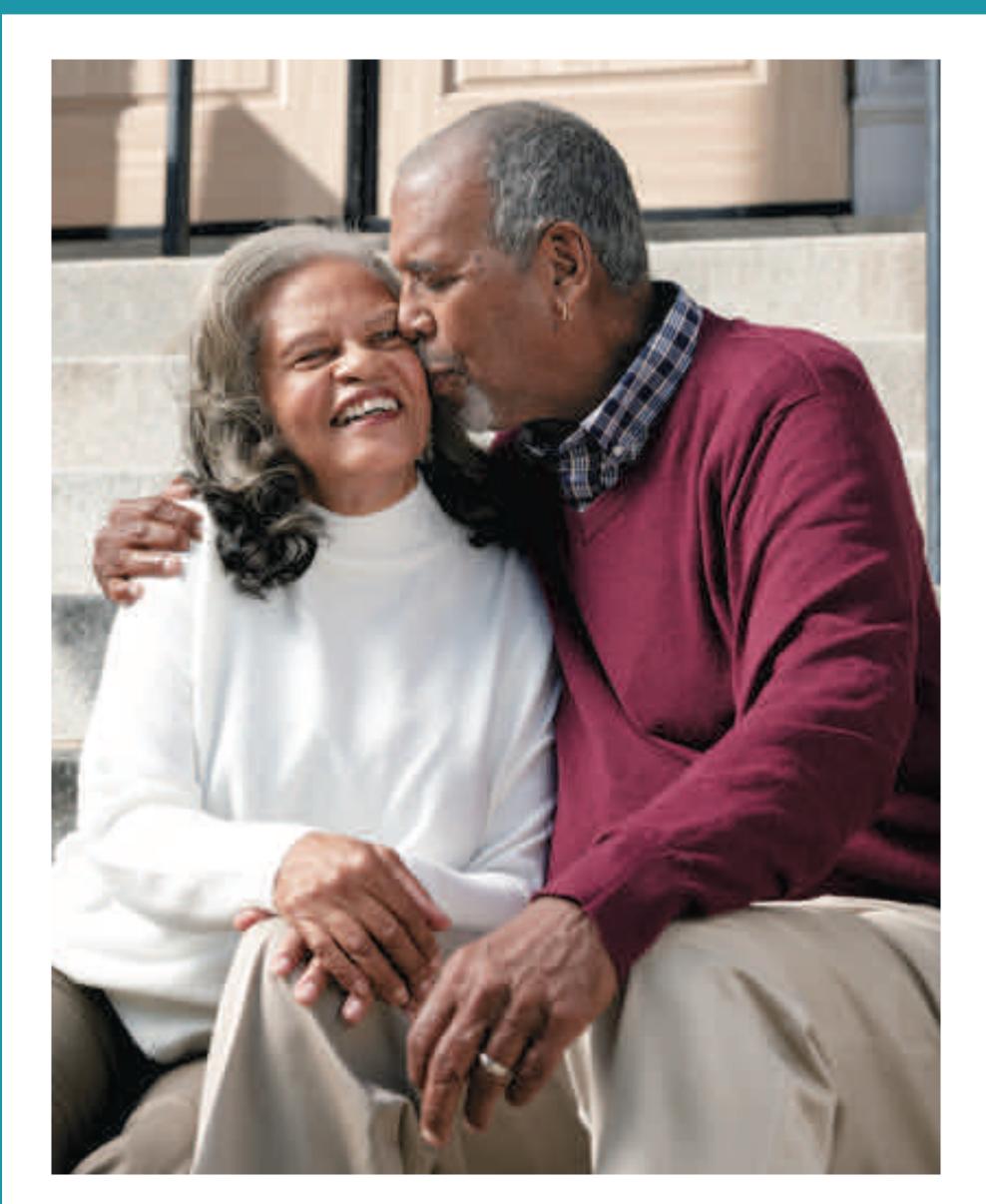
"It's important for us to have black owned and controlled, particularly in the media, business ventures, nobody is going to tell our stories from our perspective, except us," she said. "Nobody is going to do that for us. Why should they or would they? It's our responsibility to do that."



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