

# Formal Awards Ceremony/Docket

For Official Presentation: Monday, 8 January 2018/DRAFT 1.8.2018/1228 hrs/srs

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**There are no Richmond City Council Formal Awards scheduled for this meeting.**

**The following Richmond City Council Formal Awards were presented in the community at a different date.**

1	<p><b>Janet Jones Ballard Day</b> in Richmond, Virginia</p> <p>Presented in the community on December 16, 2017</p>	<p><b>RICHMOND OFFICIAL PROCLAMATION</b></p>	<p>To proclaim Mrs. Janet Jones Ballard's birthday of June 9 to be recognized, honored, and celebrated as Janet Jones Ballard Day in Richmond, Virginia in remembrance for her life and legacy and many years of dedicated service.</p>	<p><b>President Mayor</b></p>
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# RICHMOND CITY COUNCIL AND MAYOR LEVAR M. STONEY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA - COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA - CITY OF RICHMOND

## RICHMOND OFFICIAL JOINT PROCLAMATION

By virtue of the authority vested in the United States of America, Commonwealth of Virginia, Virginia Code of Laws and the Richmond City Charter; The Honorable Levar M. Stoney, Mayor of Richmond and The Honorable Members of Richmond City Council, the governing body of Richmond, Virginia, in the United States of America, do hereby and officially proclaim:

# Janet Jones Ballard Day

*in Richmond, Virginia*

**Whereas**, The Honorable Levar M. Stoney, Mayor of Richmond, and The Honorable Members of Richmond City Council, the governing body of Richmond, Virginia in the United States of America, do hereby unite in solidarity and common purpose to officially recognize, honor, and celebrate the life and legacy of Mrs. Janet Jones Ballard (June 9, 1930 - December 28, 1996) for her eminent local, state, national, and international contributions and accomplishments; and

**Whereas**, Mrs. Ballard graduated from Richmond Public Schools Armstrong High School in 1946, and from Virginia Union University (VUU) with a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology in 1950; and

**Whereas**, During her time at VUU she joined the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® Alpha Eta Chapter, and remained an active member of that sorority for the rest of her life, which included serving in many capacities at the local, regional, and national level; and

**Whereas**, Her leadership roles with Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® included that of Graduate Advisor, Regional Director, International First Vice-President and, from 1986 to 1990, as the sorority's 22nd International President; and

**Whereas**, Committed to service, Mrs. Ballard held many important leadership roles during her life, such as Executive Director of the Richmond Urban League; Director of Alumni Affairs at Virginia State University and at Virginia Union University; and, Member of the YWCA National Board of Directors; and

**Whereas**, As further sterling examples of her dedication, Mrs. Ballard served as a Member of the United Negro College Fund Board of Directors; Member of the Children's Home Society of Virginia Board of Directors; and, Member of the Richmond Chapter of Links, Inc., on whose National Executive Council she also served; and

**Whereas**, During the past few years, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® has worked to have the sorority's founding members and past International Presidents venerated with historic markers, placed near where they were born, lived or impacted, and, on December 16, 2017, Virginia Union University is to unveil a marker on their campus in honor of Mrs. Janet Jones Ballard;

**Now, Therefore**, In remembrance and with great respect for her life and legacy and many years of dedicated service, Richmond City Council and Mayor Levar M. Stoney do hereby proclaim Mrs. Janet Jones Ballard's birthday of June 9 to be recognized, honored, and celebrated as **Janet Jones Ballard Day** in Richmond, Virginia and bring this to the attention of all our residents.

In Witness Whereof, we have hereunto given under our hands for presentation on the sixteenth day of December, two thousand seventeen, of the Common Era, in the two hundred eightieth year of the foundation of Richmond in 1737, in the two hundred forty-first year of the Commonwealth of Virginia and United States of America.

The Honorable Chris A. Hillbert  
Council President, Richmond City Council  
Councilman, Richmond Northside 3rd Voter District



The Honorable Levar M. Stoney  
Mayor  
City of Richmond



The Honorable Cynthia I. Newbill  
Council Vice President, Richmond City Council  
Councilwoman, Richmond East End 7th Voter District

