

Awards/Recognitions Ceremony Docket

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Richmond City Council Officially Awards/Proclaims the following:

#	TITLE/SPEAKER	TYPE	SUMMARY/NARRATIVE	MAIN PRESENTER
1	Raymond H. Boone & Jean P. Boone To be received by: Jean P. Boone and family	Richmond City Council Recognition Award	To recognize, honor, celebrate, and salute Raymond H. Boone and Jean P. Boone and their collective community leadership, service, dedication, and prominence in the community, and for helping to make our city an even better and more socially and racially just place to live, love, work, learn, play, visit, and enjoy family.	TRAMMELL

The following Richmond City Council Formal Awards were written, prepared, produced, packaged, and provided for presentation in the community, as indicated.

1	ART 180 Presented: Provided for presentation at community event on June 2, 2023	Richmond Official Joint Recognition Award / Richmond City Council and Mayor Levar M. Stoney	To recognize, honor, and commemorate ART 180 in celebration of its 25th Anniversary; and, thank all of its young people, artists, teachers, members, and supporters for their ongoing work in helping to make Richmond an even better and more artistic place to live, love, work, learn, play, visit, and enjoy family.	JORDAN
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Richmond City Council

The Voice of the People

Richmond, Virginia

RICHMOND CITY COUNCIL RECOGNITION AWARD

By virtue of the authority vested in the United States of America, Commonwealth of Virginia, Virginia Code of Laws, and the Richmond City Charter, Richmond City Council, the governing legislative institution of Richmond, Virginia, in the United States of America, does hereby and officially recognize:

Raymond H. Boone & Jean P. Boone

Whereas, Richmond City Council, the governing legislative institution of Richmond, Virginia, in the United States of America, does hereby recognize, honor, celebrate, and salute the combined works of Raymond H. Boone and Jean P. Boone and their collective community leadership, service, dedication, and prominence in our thriving city; and

Whereas, considered a dynamic duo, Raymond H. Boone and Jean P. Boone were married for 45 years (until Mr. Boone's passing in 2014) and deeply engaged and involved on behalf of community advocacy, support, and service issues involving social and racial causes; and

Whereas, Raymond H. Boone and Jean P. Boone are well-known for working side by side in the founding, editing, managing, and publishing of the *Richmond Free Press*, a Black, family-owned and operated newspaper, that was established in 1992 to "champion equal treatment, racial justice, and economic opportunity for Black people"; and

Whereas, prior to settling in Richmond, Mr. Boone earned his bachelor's degree from Boston University and master's degree from Howard University, served in the U.S. Army, taught as an associate professor at Howard University, and worked in numerous roles in the newspaper industry, which ranged from journalist to Vice President of the Baltimore-based Afro-American Newspaper Group; and

Whereas, as a sterling testament to his standing, in 2006 Mr. Boone was awarded the Virginia NAACP - Oliver W. Hill Freedom Fighter Award; and

Whereas, serving now for nearly a decade as President and Publisher of the *Richmond Free Press*, Jean P. Boone earned her bachelor's degree from Dillard University in New Orleans and master's degree from Boston University, and previously served in community and public leadership roles for the Baltimore Symphony, Children's Defense Fund, and Baltimore Blueprint, a federal, state, and city partnership; and

Whereas, Jean P. Boone has also taught at Virginia Commonwealth University and the University of Richmond and provided leadership on behalf of many important community Boards and Commissions, which include the Richmond Urban Forestry Commission, Richmond Urban Design Committee, and Richmond Performing Arts Center; and

Whereas, as a sterling testament to her standing, in 2004 Mrs. Boone was awarded the YWCA's Outstanding Woman of the Year Award for Communications;

Now, Therefore, Richmond City Council does hereby officially recognize, honor, celebrate, and salute Raymond H. Boone and Jean P. Boone and their collective community leadership, service, dedication, and prominence in the community, and for helping to make our city an even better and more socially and racially just place to live, love, work, learn, play, visit, and enjoy family.

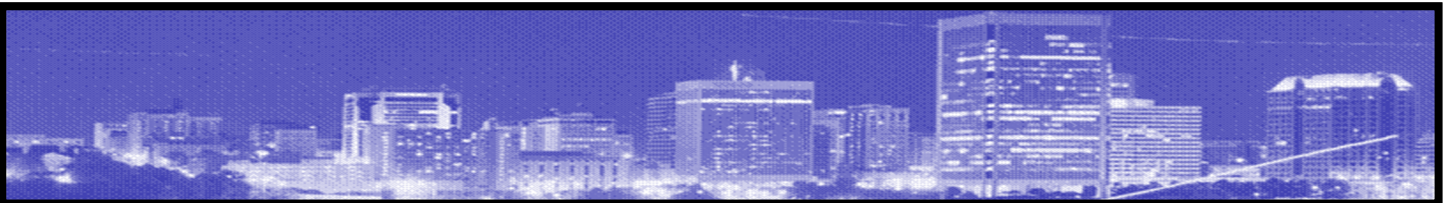
In witness whereof, this pronouncement was respectfully prepared and hereunto established for official Richmond City Council effectuation on behalf of the residents of Richmond on the twelfth day of June, two thousand twenty-three, in the two hundred eighty-sixth year of the City of Richmond, founded in 1737, the two hundred forty-seventh year of the Commonwealth of Virginia, established in 1776, and the United States of America.

The Honorable Michael J. Jones
Council President, Richmond City Council
Councilmember, Richmond South Central 9th Voter District

The Honorable Kristen M. Nye
Council Vice President, Richmond City Council
Councilmember, Richmond Southwest 4th Voter District

The Honorable Reva M. Trammell
Councilmember, Richmond City Council
Richmond Southside 8th Voter District

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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 RECOGNITION AWARD

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 Richmond City Council, the governing legislative institution of Richmond, Virginia, in the United States of America, do hereby and officially recognize:

ART 180

Whereas, the Honorable Levar M. Stoney, Mayor of Richmond, and Richmond City Council, the governing legislative institution of Richmond, Virginia, in the United States of America, do hereby unite in common purpose to recognize, honor, and commemorate ART 180 in celebration of its 25th Anniversary of working with artists and young people to advance the power of art; and

Whereas, founded in Richmond, Virginia in 1998, ART 180 is a nonprofit organization of artists, young people, teachers, community members, and supporters who collectively utilize art as a tool to create thought-provoking art through programs, workshops, exhibitions, and community projects; and

Whereas, ART 180 engages with Richmond area youth through art-related programs aimed at encouraging growth through self-expression and fostering positive change at the individual and community level; and

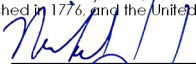

Whereas, in delivery of its community programs, ART 180 partners with a variety of local youth-focused organizations, including Richmond Public Schools, Richmond Public Library, the Boys and Girls Club of Metro Richmond, Communities In Schools of Richmond, Advocates for Richmond Youth, Next Up, and the Shenandoah National Park Trust, among many others; and



Whereas, ART 180 operates the only youth art center and gallery located in Richmond's Jackson Ward Neighborhood, at 114 W. Marshall Street, on the corner of Brook Road and Marshall Street, which functions as a creative space for Richmond area teenagers to learn from and collaborate with professional artists, develop their own creative skills, and explore new mediums of art; and

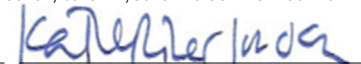

Whereas, ART 180 facilitates and establishes art mentorship through programs such as the Atlas Artist Residency, an eight-week summer program that provides ten Richmond metro area high school students the opportunity to develop artistic skills while working alongside professional artists in a creative and collaborative environment and awards stipends, art materials, and personal art studio space to those selected for the program;

Now, Therefore, Richmond City Council and Mayor Levar M. Stoney do hereby recognize, honor, and commemorate ART 180 in celebration of its 25th Anniversary; and, thank all of its young people, artists, teachers, members, and supporters for their ongoing work in helping to make Richmond an even better and more artistic place to live, love, work, learn, play, visit, and enjoy family.

In witness whereof, this pronouncement was respectfully prepared and hereunto established for effectuation on behalf of the residents of Richmond on the second day of June, two thousand twenty-three, in the two hundred eighty-sixth year of the City of Richmond, founded in 1737, the two hundred forty-seventh year of the Commonwealth of Virginia, established in 1776, and the United States of America.


The Honorable Michael J. Jones
Council President, Richmond City Council
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The Honorable Levar M. Stoney
Mayor
City of Richmond
 **MAYOR LEVAR M. STONEY**
City of Richmond, Virginia


The Honorable Katherine Jordan
Councilmember, Richmond City Council
Richmond North Central 2nd Voter District
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