Richmond City Council



Formal Awards Ceremony Docket

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RICHMOND OFFICIAL 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 body of Richmond, Virginia, in the United States of America, do hereby officially recognize:

Dr. Gary L. Rhodes

President

J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College

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 recognize, honor, and celebrate Dr. Gary L. Rhodes, President of J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College, in acknowledgement of his upcoming retirement after nearly 40 years in higher education.

Dr. Gary L. Rhodes joined J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College as its president in October 2002. Prior to his tenure at Reynolds Community College, Dr. Rhodes served in a multitude of leadership roles at educational institutes, including president of Riverland Community College in Austin, Minnesota; vice president/chief academic officer at York County Community College in Wells, Maine; vice president of training and development at the United Education Institute in California; and, executive vice president of accreditation at the Accrediting Council for Continuing Education and Training in Richmond, Virginia. Dr. Rhodes is slated to retire from J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College on September 1, 2018.

Founded in 1972, J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College is the third largest of the 23 colleges comprising the Virginia Community College System (VCCS), with campuses located in downtown Richmond as well as Henrico and Goochland Counties. With 90 potential career paths, Reynolds offers programs for college credit, certificates, and occupational and technical degrees to more than 16,000 students annually, and trains more than 10,000 employees annually in workforce development and training programs.

Richmond City Council is a strong supporter, champion, and advocate of the continued progress, advancement, and success of Richmond residents and is proud to promote and encourage education that helps prepare them for careers and empowers them to be responsible contributors to our community.

Now, Therefore, The Honorable Members of Richmond City Council do hereby officially recognize, honor, and celebrate Dr. Gary L. Rhodes, President of J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College, in acknowledgement of his upcoming retirement, and thank him for his work on behalf of students and dedication to the Richmond community.

In Witness Whereof, we have hereunto given under our hands for presentation on the twenty-ninth day of May, two thousand eighteen, 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. Hilbert Council President, Richmond City Council Councilman, Richmond Northside 3rd Voter District The Honorable Cynthia I. Newbille Council Vice President, Richmond City Council Councilwoman, Richmond East End 7th Voter District The Honorable Michael J. Jones Councilman, Richmond City Council Richmond South Central 9th Voter District