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Dear City of Annapolis, Residents and Businesses of Ward 3, and Friends:

On behalf of our newest residents (some of the information is italicized)—

In October 2012, I officially filed my paperwork as a candidate to represent Ward 3 on Annapolis’ City Council. Initially, I attended every monthly meeting (12) of the City Board of Supervisors of Elections. My platform increasingly crystalized as I met with all of the major directors/administrators within City government (and several County administrators who are an intricate part of our City government) prior to the election in November 2013. I was sworn in on December 2, 2013. I have diligently tried to keep my 4-Point Platform in focus: Health and Public Safety (quality of life); Balanced and Managed Growth and Development (an environmentally-friendly community); Improved Educational Opportunities and Career Development (resulting in stable and thriving families and households, culminating in homeownership, and the schools that our Ward 3 students attend are outstanding); and Increased Civic Engagement (encouraging residents to become more involved in community and neighborhood issues, and developing competency in navigating and securing the necessary and essential City services, as well as GOTV (Get Out the Vote).

And my (Rhonda’s) promises were to be: Respectful – Responsive – Results-Oriented.

*In order to better assess our community’s needs and challenges, as well as for residents and businesses and community organizations to get to know me, during my 2013 campaign, I decided to schedule 22 (very informal) “Can We Talk?” Community Chats throughout the community. And I decided that 6 of these 22 Chats would be by telephone—particularly for residents, etc., who wanted to discuss matters with me in the privacy of their own homes or if they had mobility challenges or if their work schedules were particularly demanding. On average, the allotted time for each chat was 2-3 hours, for a total of 61 hours; they covered every day of the week; they ranged in time from 7 a.m.-11 p.m.; and they occurred in a variety of venues in and around Ward 3. The Chats were very well received and very well publicized—either in *The Capital* newspaper, through the U.S. mail, and/or on my website, www.rhondapindellcharles.com. And since the launching of our website on March 6, 2013, in 26 days, we reached the 1,000 mark for the number of unique hits. As of December 1, 2014, this very robust website had recorded 28,366 unique hits. As of December 1, 2016, this website had recorded a total of 40,520 unique hits. As of December 3, 2017, this website had recorded a total of 47,625 unique hits. And as of December 3, 2018, this website has recorded a total of 56,333 unique hits.*

Since my election in November 2013 (and even prior to my election) up to December 1, 2014, I (among other things):

- *Was appointed by the Mayor in December 2013 to sit on **two City Council Standing Committees—namely, Rules and City Government; and Public Safety;***
- *Have and plan to continue to **regularly dialogue** with colleagues and community members concerning City issues in a variety of venues, forums, and formats;*
- *In February 2014, during Valentine’s Day week, scheduled a **2-day “Can We Talk?” Community Telephone Chat**—“(Love to) Pour Your Heart Out to Rhonda” in recognition of American Heart Month and Valentine’s Day;*
- *In the spring of 2014, scheduled **5 more “Can We Talk?” Community Chats**—Admiral Oaks Boys and Girls Clubs; Annapolis Gardens Community Center; Anne Arundel County Public Library, West Street (Regional branch; Capital Church of Christ; and Second Baptist Church;*
- *In the spring of 2014, scheduled a **“One-On-One One-Hour Weekend Weigh-In”** where residents, etc., had an opportunity to call me for one hour each on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday to discuss (to “weigh-in” on) any matters that mattered to them;*
- *From Friday, October 31 to Sunday, November 2, 2014, inclusive, scheduled a **“Ward 3 24-Hour Weekend Telephone Marathon”** (Friday, 5-11 p.m.; Saturday, 7 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sunday, 2-10 p.m.), again, giving Ward 3 residents, etc., an opportunity to call me regarding matters that mattered to them; Note: Likewise, all of these Chats were well publicized;*
- *Have and plan to continue to **drive and/or walk every street in Ward 3** (including during snow storms)—some, numerous times;*
- *Have and plan to continue to **“Stop and Chat”** (and knock on doors) with a variety of residents (including new residents)—as they are mowing their lawns, tending their flower beds, washing their cars, removing groceries from their vehicles, sitting in their front yards, interacting with other residents, etc.—i.e., conduct periodic “area familiarizations” in Ward 3; and*
- *(Now for 6 years), have had **two telephone lines available to respond to constituent concerns**—neither phone lines being “subsidized” by the City.*

A few reiterated highlights/updates—

- Participated in a very robust and productive dialogue with **our Germantown-Homewood Civic Association** and our Greater Parole Community Association that has culminated in **our new Anne Arundel County Annapolis Regional Library (AACPL)** being built at the current West Street site in Ward 2;
- Directly after this decision was made by the AACPL Board of Trustees, visited and extensively toured the Miller Library in Ellicott City, Howard County—a beautiful, impressive library;
- Attempting to continue to successfully advocate, over the past 3 years, on 2 separate occasions, along with the residents of **our Heritage community**, to mitigate the impact of any construction of any access roadway by the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund (MAIF) building (and more recently, working with another entity) directly through their community;
- Continue to successfully advocate for improving the **quality of life for Ward 3 residents**, while balancing the needs and safety concerns of our students at the Walter S. Mills-Parole Elementary School (WSM-PES), particularly during the \$30 million renovation at the school;
- *Addressed and resolved bus stops/transportation issues for some Ward 3 students and residents as it related to the WSM-PES renovation;*
- **From June 2015-December 2016, the community embraced a very robust 100-year celebration of the Walter S. Mills-Parole Elementary School - 1916-2016—culminating and participating in 54 scheduled events, activities, and milestones (and for a complete listing of these scheduled events and activities, please contact me);**
- *Have assisted in securing at least 3 bus shelters for our bus riders in Ward 3;*
- Have and plan to continue to work diligently with our **Annapolis Police Department (APD)** to increase police presence, thus ensuring the safety of our residents, including periodically attending and participating in Neighborhood Watch meetings at APD HQ, National Night Out, etc.;

- Have and plan to continue to facilitate the installation of **new/repaired sidewalks and upgrades in Ward 3** (please reference the City’s website, www.annapolis.gov, for the scheduling of the City’s repairs/replacements);
- Have and plan to continue to facilitate the securing of **street paving and/or roadway upgrades in Ward 3** (please reference the City’s website, www.annapolis.gov, for the scheduling of the City’s repairs/replacements), including the Chinquapin Round Road roadway and bike path pavings, the Drew Street paving, and the stormwater/drainage project at the west end of Dorsey Avenue;
- Have and plan to continue to work diligently toward an **overall improved quality of life** for Ward 3 residents, e.g., actively pursuing community upgrades and improvements; pursuing Code violations; monitoring inspections; addressing speeding concerns through the compilation and the reviewing of the data collected; assisting in resolving boundary issues; addressing pet/animal concerns; addressing parking challenges; responding to excessive neighborhood noise and disturbances; visiting, touring, etc., area medical and mental health facilities; etc.;
- As a result, the **Greater Parole Community Association’s (GPCA)** (a membership of 485) **Executive Leadership Team** requested to meet with many of the high-ranking City officials, for the purpose of addressing a variety of quality of life issues—a meeting which was held on October 4, 2016, with 106 persons in attendance;
- Note: I was unable to attend this Community Meeting due to my necessity to handle an immediate family matter out of state;
- Attended and participated in **BGE’s Green Grants Press Conference** at the Quiet Waters Park;
- Have and plan to continue to facilitate various stormwater management type projects in Ward 3 and the City, including in the Rev. John T. Chambers, Sr. Park where a beautiful **Stormwater Education Station**, a faux house, has been built, thankfully through the efforts of the Greater Parole Community Association (GPCA) and the funding from the **Spa Creek Conservancy** and **BGE**, as well as the **in-kind work from Stanford Womack Construction**, and the on-site assistance of labor from the **United States Naval Academy’s Midshipmen Action Group-USNA MAG**, etc.;
- Have and plan to continue to actively pursue and encourage **environmental stewardship and involvement**, e.g., recycling; and attending events—Green Drinks, Weather It Together!, etc.;
- Have and plan to continue to follow up during **snow storms** regarding snow removal and how it impacts our community—sign reinstatement, the necessity for more salt, plowing, re-plowing, coordinating dialysis patients who need immediate egress from their residences, etc.;
- *Participated in discussions and meetings regarding the possible location of a Multi-Modal Transit Center;*
- *Worked with a local nursery in an attempt to beautify the West Street corridor in Ward 3;*
- Have and plan to continue to **serve as a conduit and an information repository** for non-profits and community organizations as they attempt to obtain information to enhance their programs;
- Have and plan to continue to address numerous property, development, and construction issues, i.e., **balanced and managed growth and development;**
- Have and plan to continue to address residents’ **utility bill** challenges and questions;
- Have and plan to continue to address and discuss concerns regarding **our youth and their future**—educationally (including STEM, Community Action Agency, community Back to School Backpack Giveaway-type activities, etc.), recreationally, socially, etc.;
- Have and plan to continue to address and discuss concerns expressed by **our seniors;**
- Have and plan to continue to address concerns expressed by our area’s **disABLEd residents;**
- Have and plan to continue to address concerns expressed by our **veterans and military service members;**
- Have and plan to continue to work with and to outreach with our **USNA partners;**
- Have and plan to continue to address and discuss concerns expressed by a significant number of our **low income residents**, i.e., including the Housing Authority of the City of Annapolis (HACA), etc.;
- Have and plan to continue to address and discuss **domestic violence issues;**

- Have and plan to continue to address and discuss concerns expressed by area **houses of worship and their parishioners**, e.g., security, grief, community relations, grants, etc., **and how they can greatly and directly assist our area's most vulnerable residents**;
- Have and plan to continue to attend and participate in **community meetings**, e.g., Oxford Landing (HOA, "Walk the Ward"), etc., including securing petition signatures (regarding the Rocky Gorge access) from at least 1 person from 206 of the 216 households in Oxford Landing by knocking on all 216 doors
- Have and plan to continue to assist and address concerns expressed by **new as well as seasoned entrepreneurs** via the new and ever-evolving Annapolis Partnership (e.g., Ward 3's **Annapolis Design District, Forest Drive Business Corridor, Gibraltar/Moreland Parkway Business Corridor**, etc.), including reviewing and monitoring monthly permit applications, attending their ribbon-cuttings/open houses, etc.;
- Have and plan to continue to mediate and address, along with various City agencies, a variety of **cultural issues and challenges** that have routinely surfaced within Ward 3, while continuing to encourage and assist our Latino community and their programming, including membership and/or participation in their business association, and disseminating information daily, via e-mail, to the Center of Help (Centro de Ayuda) in Ward 3; for example, close to 200 pounds of canned goods that were collected at the "Annapolis: One City—Three Friends" event (the premier event in celebration of the 100 year anniversary of the WSM-PES) were exchanged at the County Food Bank for 5 full Thanksgiving Baskets which were distributed to area Latino families;
- **Upon request, have and plan to continue to provide technical assistance to several community associations/organizations in their quest to revitalize and better organize and coordinate their efforts**;
- Have and plan to continue to keep abreast of **daily media coverage** (including being an active participant, e.g., writing op-ed articles, letters to the Editor, being available for interviews when appropriate, etc.);
- Have and plan to continue to submit names of Ward 3 residents who have expressed an interest to me in serving on the various **City Boards and Commissions**;
- Have and plan to continue to work diligently toward a significant voter turnout in Ward 3 in every election, and working with the **Boards of the Supervisors of Elections** (including meeting with officials and taking a 2-hour tour of the new Anne Arundel County Board of Elections Office); the City Ad Hoc Elections Committee;
- Facilitated the issuance of a **City Citation** for our oldest Ward 3 resident as she "spryly" celebrated her 104th birthday in 2015, but who passed away at the age of 105 in December 2015, and whose son received a **Governor's Citation** in honor and remembrance of his Mother; and
- Have attempted to update my website ~~at least once per month~~ periodically, www.rhondapindellcharles.com
- **AND—**
- Supported the installation of the **Chambers Park Memorial Benches**;
- Ensured that various projects in Ward 3 were initiated and completed—**Dorsey Avenue** drainage project; **Chinquapin Round Road** paving and bike lanes installation; and **Drew Street** paving
- Written various pieces in **The Capital** newspaper—approximately 10

IN AND AROUND WARD 3 AND OUR CITY—

- **Ward 3: by the numbers—**
- **Over 5,000 residents (2010 U.S. Census); approximately 380 800 (information from the MDAT) businesses (approximately 93 of them are located on West Street); 79 residential streets; 11 business/commercial only streets**
- ***As Council members, handling constituent concerns are a large part of our responsibilities. In this vein:***
- **Have addressed/handled (and plan to continue):**
 - ~ Over 127 individual constituent concerns (12/2/13-12/1/14),
 - ~ Over 206 individual constituent concerns (12/2/14-12/1/15),
 - ~ Over 291 individual constituent concerns (12/2/15-12/1/16),
 - ~ Over 273 individual constituent concerns (12/2/16-12/3/17),
 - ~ Over 394 individual constituent concerns (12/4/17-12/3/18),
 - ~ Over 419 individual constituent concerns (12/4/18-12/3/19)

Either via the City's e-service "Report It!", or, most often than not, through personal request, investigation, and/or follow-up—from some matters taking several minutes to resolve to some taking several weeks toward a final and/or an acceptable resolution (some matters are still pending/outstanding/active).

- *As Council members, we are invited to hundreds of events, activities, programs, and meetings each year (so it is impossible to attend all or even most of them). In this vein:*

- Attended events/activities/programs, and meetings (EXCLUDING mandatory Council meetings/lunches, Standing Committee meetings, Work Sessions, and Closed Sessions meetings) (and plan to continue):
 - ~ 12/2/13-12/1/14: Over 108 events/activities/programs, meetings, including businesses;
 - ~ 12/2/14-12/1/15: 208 events/activities/programs, and meetings; and visited 17 of Ward 3's newly opened and/or established businesses;
 - ~ 12/2/15-12/1/16: Visited 15 of Ward 3's newly opened and/or established businesses;
 - ~ 12/2/15-12/1/16: Attended 414 events/activities/programs, and meetings;
 - ~ 12/2/15-12/1/16: Attended 58 out of the 62 scheduled City Council meetings, Standing Committee meetings (Public Safety; and Rules and City Government), Work Sessions, and Closed Sessions Meetings;
Note: I missed 1 City Council meeting (my grandson's 1st birthday in March 2016 in Texas); and 3 Public Safety meetings (1 AACPS work related meeting was scheduled which always takes priority, and 2 where I had 2 previously scheduled appointments)

~ 12/2/16-12/3/17: Visited 15 of Ward 3's newly opened and/or established businesses;

~ 12/2/16-12/3/17: Attended 574 events/activities/programs, and meetings;

~ 12/2/16-12/3/17: Attended 48 out of the 50 scheduled City Council meetings, Standing Committee meetings (Public Safety; and Rules and City Government), Work Sessions, and Closed Sessions Meetings;

Note: I missed 2 Rules and City Government Committee meetings (I had a pre-scheduled physician's appointment; and I visited my daughter and her family in Texas)

~ 12/4/17-12/3/18: Visited 61 of Annapolis' newly opened and/or established businesses/centers;

~ 12/4/17-12/3/18: Attended 589 events/activities/programs, and meetings;

~ 12/4/17-12/3/18: Attended 60 out of the 61 scheduled City Council meetings, Standing Committee meetings (Public Safety; Transportation; and Audit), Work Sessions, and Closed Sessions Meetings; plus the Market House Committee meetings

Note: I missed 1 Closed Session meeting (very bad cold)

Note: The number of businesses visited rose in the timeframe of 12/4/17-12/3/18 because our Mayor started a new initiative, "One Block at a Time", where he and each Alderperson, for 2-3 weeks, visited businesses in their individual Wards

~ 12/4/18-12/3/19: Visited 5 of Annapolis' newly opened and/or established businesses/centers;

~ 12/4/18-12/3/19: Attended 540 events/activities/programs, and meetings;

~ 12/4/18-12/3/19: Attended 50 out of the 64 scheduled City Council meetings, Standing Committee meetings (Public Safety; Transportation; and Audit), Work Sessions, Closed Sessions Meetings, and Retreat

- Have and plan to continue to regularly disseminate valuable and helpful information to Ward 3 residents and others, via e-mail, which they in turn, may forward to their various contacts in whatever format or medium they desire:
 - ~ 12/2/14-12/1/15: Over 611 e-mails of information (about 2 per day) were disseminated to residents, averaging 300 persons per dissemination—subject matters include health, education, jobs and employment, events, housing, finance, available services for veterans and military persons and their families, voting, volunteer opportunities, entertainment, safety, history, community news and emergency reports, weather alerts, "shout-outs", etc.;
 - ~ 12/2/15-12/1/16: Over 669 e-mails of information (about 2 per day) were disseminated to residents, averaging 425 persons per dissemination—subject matters include health, education, jobs and employment,

events, housing, finance, available services for veterans and military persons and their families, voting, volunteer opportunities, entertainment, safety, history, community news and emergency reports, weather alerts, “shout-outs”, etc.

- ~ 12/2/16-12/3/17: Over 162 groupings of e-mails of information were disseminated to residents, averaging 637 persons per dissemination (e-mails were sent out about 3 times per week, and a total of over 103,000 e-mails were sent)—subject matters include health, education, jobs and employment, events, housing, finance, available services for veterans and military persons and their families, voting, volunteer opportunities, entertainment, safety, history, community news and emergency reports, weather alerts, “shout-outs”, etc.
- ~ 12/4/17-12/3/18: Over 57 groupings of e-mails of information were disseminated to residents, averaging 893 persons per dissemination (e-mails were sent out about once per week, and a total of over 51,000 were sent)—subject matters include health, education, jobs and employment, events, housing, finance, available services for veterans and military persons and their families, voting, volunteer opportunities, entertainment, safety, history, community news and emergency reports, weather alerts, “shout-outs”, etc.
- Note: E-mails were sent out less often; however, more subject matters were included in one e-mail—on average, 5 subject matters were sent together in one e-mail.
- Note: Also, in October 2018, Google made changes to their e-mails, which resulted in many more steps needed to send large e-mail groupings, so I had to stop sending these e-mails since this would be very time-consuming. I reached out to our City’s MIT, who is in the process of developing a process for me that will lessen the number of steps needed to send large e-mail groupings.
- ~ 12/4/18-12/3/19: Over 50 groupings of e-mails of information were disseminated to residents, averaging 865 persons per dissemination (e-mails were sent out about once per every other week, and a total of over 25,000 were sent)—subject matters include health, education, jobs and employment, events, housing, finance, available services for veterans and military persons and their families, voting, volunteer opportunities, entertainment, safety, history, community news and emergency reports, weather alerts, “shout-outs”, etc.
- And routinely, I e-mail information of interest to City Directors, including the Police Chief, the Fire Chief, the Director of the Office of Emergency Management, and the City Manager.
- I receive, on average, 80-100 e-mails per day, with at least 90% of them requiring some type of response.
- Since being inaugurated on December 2, 2013, up to and including December 1, 2014 (365 days), have logged at least 2,073.5 hours of service as Ward 3 Alderwoman (including working practically every entire weekend) and have at least driven 1,532.5 miles (no direct gas reimbursement), as I plan to continue to fulfill my mandated responsibilities to Ward 3 and our City:
- Note: These hours of service do not include travel time;
- Since December 2, 2014, up to and including December 1, 2015 (365 days), have logged at least 2,385.5 hours of service as Ward 3 Alderwoman (including working practically every entire weekend) and have at least driven 1,290.0 miles (no direct gas reimbursement), as I plan to continue to fulfill my mandated responsibilities to Ward 3 and our City:
- Note: These hours of service do not include travel time;
- Since December 2, 2015, up to and including December 1, 2016 (366 days), have logged at least 2,419.5 hours of service as Ward 3 Alderwoman (including working practically every entire weekend) and have at least driven 2,417.0 miles (no direct gas reimbursement), as I plan to continue to fulfill my mandated responsibilities to Ward 3 and our City:
- Note: These hours of service do not include travel time;
- **Note:** Mileage significantly increased last year due to my first time attending the Maryland Municipal League’s (MML) Annual Conference in Ocean City, frequent trips to the Glen Burnie Office of the Anne Arundel Workforce Development Corporation, and a trip to and tour of the County Elections Office.

- Since December 2, 2016, up to and including December 3, 2017 (365 days), have logged at least 2,794 hours of service as Ward 3 Alderwoman (including working practically every entire weekend) and have at least driven 2,448 miles (no direct gas reimbursement), as I plan to continue to fulfill my mandated responsibilities to Ward 3 and our City:
- Note: These hours of service do not include travel time;
- Since December 4, 2017, up to and including December 3, 2018 (365 days), have logged at least 2,743.5 hours of service as Ward 3 Alderwoman (including working practically every entire weekend) and have at least driven 1,887.5 miles (no direct gas reimbursement), as I plan to continue to fulfill my mandated responsibilities to Ward 3 and our City:
- Note: These hours of service do not include travel time;
- Note: Pay - \$4.92 per hour
- Since December 4, 2018, up to and including December 3, 2019 (365 days), have logged at least 2,541.5 hours of service as Ward 3 Alderwoman (including working practically every entire weekend) and have at least driven 2,150.0 miles (no direct gas reimbursement), as I plan to continue to fulfill my mandated responsibilities to Ward 3 and our City:
- Note: These hours of service do not include travel time;
- Note: Pay - \$4.56 per hour
- Am continuing to take classes toward my **Maryland Municipal League (MML)** certification, www.mdmunicipal.org (including suggesting to MML that they add to their repertoire of classes a very basic session on “Conversational Spanish” which they enthusiastically agreed to do). **And I finally COMPLETED all of my classes in October 2018!**

Miscellaneous Additional News—Old and New— Greenscape

- Participated in the first-time ever **Spring 2014 GreenScape** efforts at Chambers Park which, since the inception of this City-wide program over 20 years ago, yielded a **City-wide record-setting 71 participants at this one site**; and likewise, GreenScape 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, and 2019 as well were a success.
- The sorority, **Alpha Kappa Alpha (AKA)**, officially “adopted” Chambers Park, and have contributed mightily towards its enhancement.

Chambers Park Summer Concert Series

- Participated in the first-time ever **2014 Chambers Park Summer Concert Series** from June-September 2014 (where two independent “bean counters” estimated the total crowd, for the 4 concerts, at over 1,000), and police presence was never even remotely considered nor necessary; **AND the 2015 Summer Concert Series**, increased to 8 concerts, with a total crowd of over 2,100 (same 2 independent “bean counters” +1 more)—and again, no problems at all; **AND the 2016 Summer Concert Series, 8 concerts, with a total crowd of at least 2,875 (same 2 independent “bean counters” + 1 more)—and again, no problems at all; AND each year, it continues to grow—2017 and 2018 and 2019.**
- During several of the concerts, an Information Table—“**Information Central**”—was set up, with a variety of information provided that was helpful to the community, e.g., health, education, jobs and employment, events, housing, finance, available services for veterans and military persons and their families, voting, volunteer opportunities, entertainment, safety, history, community news, etc.
- **Again, the concerts continue to increase in attendance and enthusiasm—anywhere from 250-300, starting with the season inaugural concert Gospel Explosion in June, up to 900, ending in a highlighted performance in September. Celebrating their 6th season in 2019, crowds average anywhere from 300 (starting with the Gospel Explosion) to over 1,000.**

- Since December 2, 2015 to December 1, 2016, participated in the celebration of the installation of the **Memorial Benches** in Chambers Park in recognition of Mrs. Hannah Scott Chambers and Mr. Preston “PJ” Adams; **and from December 2, 2016 to December 3, 2018, Mayor John T. Chambers, Jr. (August 18, 2018).**
- **Also, a Little Free Library was donated and has been stocked by our local Annapolis chapter of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority (December 16, 2017)**

City of Annapolis TV Program “Watershed Moments”

- As the Alderperson, I was asked and accepted an opportunity to host a City of Annapolis TV program, Channel 34, which I have titled **“Watershed Moments”**, which began airing in the Spring 2015—it is a “human interest” program where the focus is on guests who have exhibited “The Human Condition—The Human Spirit” (conceivably, this focus includes everyone), and the opening of the program includes this statement: “Just as the headwaters of the Spa Creek watershed begins its course in Ward 3, so did you begin your course in life; and when certain watershed moments occurred, you had to make the decision to re-evaluate your course.”;
- **Note: To date, 19 guests have appeared on the show, along with 1 Monologue that I recorded, which I would encourage all residents to view for the purpose of obtaining a balanced and insightful look into the unique history of Annapolis. (We are allowed to tape no more than 1 show per month.)**
- Feel free to contact me at any time if you are interested in appearing on **“Watershed Moments”**.

Website and Link to “Watershed Moments”:

<https://videoplayer.telvue.com/player/5XOikeliKf2PgHw0dtfaPo1NKmQABRbN/playlists/4777/media/338925?sequenceNumber=1&autoplay=true&showtabs=search=true>

Note: If you fail to get sound, then —

-Go to:

www.annapolis.gov

Click on "City TV"

Then click on "City TV" again

Then click "Playlists"

Then scroll down below and click "Watershed Moments"

NOW ON YOU-TUBE:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MGYdyW0h5SM&list=PL2ebarRQhbGE6R_UJXa93fzwKVTDNCLGr

The Capital

- Have written 8 Op-Ed articles in The Capital on the following topics: “The Churches Must ‘Take Out’ Help to All Those in Our Community”; “Everyone Can Make A Difference by Volunteering; “Housing Authority of the City of Annapolis (HACA)”; “National Good Samaritan Day”; “Street Corner Ministries Coalition”; “Ferguson and Staten Island”; “On Turning 60”; “Reflections on the Life of Hannah Scott Chambers, widow of former Alderman and Mayor now deceased John T. Chambers, Jr.”; (and several on the proposed cannabis dispensary on West Street)
- <http://www.capitalgazette.com/search/dispatcher.front?Query=Rhonda+Pindell+Charles&target=all&spell=on>

Some highlights of the year 12/2/14-12/1/15—

- Chauffeured the City Manager on a 3-hour **Tour of Ward 3**
- Continued to attend the **Annapolis and Anne Arundel County Chambers’ of Commerce’s Annual Legislative Breakfast**
- Attempted to attend some of the **City Boards and Commissions** meetings, including the Art in Public Places Commission
- **Suggested, and it was accepted, to add a “COMPLIMENTS” section to the City’s e-service “Report It!” form**
- Attended the **SoFo Annapolis** (South Forest Drive Business Association) Open House (and attended during 12/2/13-12/1/14)
- Have had preliminary discussions regarding history and possible **archeological digs/artifacts** located and found in historic Parole

- Participated in and gave remarks at the ribbon cutting ceremony for the new Anne Arundel Medical Center's (AAMC's) **"FastCare" Walk-in Clinic at Shoppers**—and continued to receive rave reviews regarding their services (*and my allergies/sinuses thank them!*); however, it closed in 2017
- Local **AARP representatives** (including a Ward 3 resident who is an AARP representative) were extremely successful in assisting a Ward 3 senior in keeping his home as a result of a very unfortunate reverse mortgage situation—this situation being given national media attention by AARP
- Attended two of **Annapolis Green's/Green Drinks** monthly events—in Ward 3 (and in Ward 8)
- The second Ward to host **"Coffee with a Cop" with the APD** at McDonald's on West Street in Ward 3
- In November 2014: "A new foot patrol policy has been established. [Annapolis Police Department – APD] Officers are now required to walk in communities at least 1 hour during their shift."
- Attended the **City's "Public Forum for Locals Regarding Immigration Actions"** at City Hall
- Solicited the services of a resident to serve on the Interview Panel to select the new Director of the **City's Department of Transportation**
- Received a **commendation** from a Ward 3 resident who witnessed a **City bus driver** stop his bus at the Shoppers bus shelter to give the homeless woman a bagged breakfast and drink—as described by the Ward 3 resident: "an outstanding gesture of compassion and care for a fellow human"
- Attended AAMC's **Martin L. Doordan Leadership Lecture** for community and business leaders at the Anne Arundel Medical Center: "The role of human behavior in business, health, and well-being"
- Attended and participated in the **Houses of Worship Safety and Security Forum** at the Mount Olive Community Life Center
- **Suggested to the APD that they present, at our City Council Public Safety Standing Committee Meeting, "A Day in the Life of a City of Annapolis Police Officer"; they presented at our June 2015 meeting and it was very well received (check out the City's website to view this presentation at the June meeting of the Public Safety Committee)**
- At my turn before the City Council, offered brief remarks and a moment of silence in memory of **the former and Ward 1 Alderman Richard E. Israel**; and attended his memorial service at St. Anne's Church
- **Read and review daily the APD's Daily Report and routinely request additional information from the APD if any incidents involve Ward 3**
- Gave Greetings at the **50th Anniversary celebration of the Anne Arundel County Community Action Agency, Inc.**
- Continue to encourage Ward 3 residents to sign up, with the City's Office of Emergency Management", for the **App "Prepare Me Annapolis"** (and also to increase their Twitter followers and their Facebook "likes")
- Working with the **Annapolis Partnership (AP)** on several levels—for example, as requested by the AP, assisting them in securing the names of current African-American businesses in Annapolis that have been in business for at least 50 years
- **Note: We Salute: Hicks Upholstery (since at least 1948), William Reese and Sons Mortuary, PA (since at least 1952), and Hunt's Moving Company (since at least 1962)—all located in Ward 3!**
- Invited to appear on **Comcast's "Newsmakers" segment**—touting the monthly activities and events surrounding the 100 year anniversary celebration (1916-2016) of the Walter S. Mills-Parole Elementary School, from June 2015-December 2016—starting in 1916 with **the Little Red Schoolhouse** (now the site of the Double T Diner) to **the Camp Parole Rosenwald School** (located on the southwest corner of Hicks Avenue and Dorsey Avenue)
- **Was honored to be selected by the Mayor to serve as Acting Mayor for 8 consecutive days (kept full-time office hours in City Hall for the entire week)**
- **Was honored to be selected by the Mayor to attend and participate at a Conference at The White House for the "Let's Move!" Campaign, where the initiator, First Lady Michelle Obama spoke, and I was ably accompanied by City Department of Recreation and Parks staffer Ms. Jennifer Jennings (and our City is a part of the "Let's Move!" Cities and Towns "movement" initiative)**
- **As a result of this visit to The White House, I was selected by the National League of Cities to present as a panelist at the National Walking Summit next to The Capitol in Washington, DC, where the same City**

staffer prepared the extraordinary, unique, and very well received power point: “Walk Annapolis: History, Health, Economics and Transportation”, where our City’s “walkability” was tied to our economic engine of tourism; and we were photographed with the U.S. Surgeon General, Vice Admiral (VADM) Vivek H. Murthy, M.D., M.B.A., who was the featured Luncheon speaker—the focus of his administration being “Walking”

- Participated, for the 2nd consecutive year, in the “Remembering Ronnesha Walk” in Annapolis in support of this deceased victim (and her family) who succumbed as a result of domestic violence—the victim being a classmate of my daughter and the perpetrator being a classmate of my son
- Attended and participated in the “Art on Clay and Silent Auction” Fundraiser at the Stanton Community Center
- Attended and participated in the “Art in Action and Ribbon-Cutting” in Ward 3’s Annapolis Design District—an unprecedented launching of art in public places in Ward 3
- **Initiated the start and the completion of the renovations and repairs to the City’s Department of Transportation headquarters building in Ward 3; and gave Remarks at the (Re-Opening and) Rededication of the (now deceased Ward 3) Alderman Samuel L. Gilmer Transportation Center on Chinquapin Round Road**
- Introduced to the new **City Economic Development Manager**, and in anticipation of a 1-on-1 upcoming 90 minute meeting (which occurred later in December 2015)
- Attended “**Hope for the Future Xpose**”—“showcasing the talents and highlighting young entrepreneurs in our community”, at the Pip Moyer Recreation Center (PMRC)
- Attended and participated in the annual **Anne Arundel County Delegation “Legislative Priorities Meeting”**
- **Continuing to participate in discussions regarding the Upper West Street Sector Study**
- Especially during the winter months, continue to regularly check on our **Ward 3 homeless “resident” at the Shoppers bus shelter**
- Attended various **County events/places, where information that is provided and is gleaned is beneficial to our City as well**, including (but not limited to), Opioid Misuse and Overdose Symposium; Artists Without Limits Art Exhibit (hosted by the Commission on Disability Issues); Samaritan House Groundbreaking; Bicycle Advisory Commission Launch; New Journey Medication Assisted Treatment for Narcotic Dependence Clinic in Annapolis; and I am an active participate with the County Health Department’s initiative “Parents Who Host Lose the Most” Drug Free Action Alliance, with the City becoming a partner
- Through the **Greater Parole Community Association (GPCA), the Co-Chair of the Health and Public Safety Committee** disseminates health information regularly throughout Ward 3 and the area
- **Attempting and am always open to periodically meeting with various community groups and individuals—my offer remains perpetual**

Just a few highlights of the year 12/2/15-12/1/16—

- **Attended the Heritage Pool and Community Association meeting**
- **Attended and participated in the Germantown-Homewood Civic Association Meeting**
- **Was provided a private tour of the new home of the Annapolis Greens, corner of State Circle and Maryland Avenue**
- **Was invited and attended and participated in the Southwoods Homeowners Association Meeting**
- **At the request of a Councilman from another Maryland jurisdiction, developed a very comprehensive, step-by-step “Community Organizing Guide”**
- Attended and actively participated in the Mayor’s Annual Senior Holiday Luncheon, at the **Annapolis Senior Activity Center, Wiley H. Bates Heritage Park**
- Was a Speaker at “A Sacred Conversation about our Community, Relationships, Healing and Reconciliation”, **St. Philip’s Episcopal Church**
- The Greater Parole Community Association (GPCA) recognized **Dr. Kwaku Agyemang-Duah** for his service as Acting Director of the **City’s Transportation Department**, 2014-2015, and he was presented with a plaque

- Attended and participated in the Gumbo Fest, at the Double Tree, hosted by **The Friends of The Lighthouse Shelter** (The Lighthouse is located in **Ward 3**)
- Attended the **Annapolis Design District's (Ward 3)** Networking Event, "Happy Hour and Get Inspired", at the Fox's Den, downtown Main Street Annapolis
- Attended the **Healthy Anne Arundel Coalition (HAAC) Steering Committee** Meeting, at Quiet Waters Park, where there was a Presentation on the 2015 Community Health Needs Assessment results (and where work will be conducted on the HAAC Strategic Plan (FY 2017-2019), from the Healthy Anne Arundel Coalition)
- Attended the monthly meeting of the **Art in Public Places Commission**, where the Historic Preservation legislation was on the agenda, O-7-16
- Attended the Annual Women and Leadership Forum: "The Emerging Face of 21st Century Philanthropy", hosted by **The Anne Arundel Women Giving Together**, at St. John's College
- Attended and participated in the Grand Opening of the **Annapolis Gardens'** Enrichment Center for children and families
- Attended and participated in "**The Sass and Science, Inc. Official Launch Party**", targeting middle school female students whose interest in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) can be enhanced
- **On behalf of historic Parole, was honored to be asked by the City to participate in the "Walk Parole: A Scavenger Hunt for History" project, culminating in the publication of an historic document (very sleek brochure) in recognition of Maryland Day 2016 in March**
- **Hosted the presentation of the City's Upper West Street Sector Study at a 3-day Charrette at the Mount Olive Community Life Center, Ward 3**
- **Attended the premier showing of the short film "The Journey to Come" at the Annapolis Film Festival—an entry submitted to and accepted by the Annapolis Film Festival from our young Ward 3 product Mr. Maurice "Moe" Taylor**
- Attended the **Stormwater Presentation**, at the Hillsmere Library, hosted by the **Annapolis Neck Peninsula Federation**, with Presenter Erik Michelsen, from the Anne Arundel County government
- Attended and participated in the Special Ribbon Cutting Ceremony to mark the Grand Opening of the **Annapolis Taco Bell, Ward 3**
- Attended and participated in the **Arbor Day** Celebration at the WSM-PES
- Attended and participated in the Re-Opening of the **Anne Arundel County Public Library's Annapolis Regional Branch** (after suffering significant snow storm damage)
- Attended "A New Renaissance...for the City of Annapolis", hosted by the **Annapolis and Anne Arundel County Chamber of Commerce**, where the Presenters were Geoff Voigt (Maryland Theatre for the Performing Arts) and Don Lamb-Minor (President of the Inner West Street Association)
- Attended "The Future of Destination Marketing: What It Means for Businesses in Our County", presented by nationally renowned Bill Geist, at Rams Head on Stage, hosted by the **Annapolis Partnership**
- Attended **Cinco de Mayo** and presented them with a \$100.00 check from the Greater Parole Community Association
- Attended a Special PRE-Meeting of the **Annapolis Historic Preservation Commission** featuring a Lecture by nationally renowned Donovan Rypkema
- Attended the **Greater Parole Community Association's** Community Meeting, Ward 3, Region 2 (Parole Heights), Agenda: Gross Avenue Quality of Life Issues, where the City's APD (3), DNEP (1) were in attendance
- Attended a "2-agenda items" Breakfast meeting at Taco Bell with Linda Barbour, Executive Director of the **STAIR (Start The Adventure In Reading) program**—1 - STAIR being a volunteer program that brings tutors into the school, two days a week after school, to work with second graders who need help with their reading skills; and 2 – the AACPL Summer Reading Program
- Attended and participated in the "Rally for Travel", at the Market House Plaza, hosted by "**Visit Annapolis and Anne Arundel County**" (VAAAC), Celebrating National Travel and Tourism Week, May 1-7, and launching a brand new (sleek) marketing campaign

- Purchased the book and attended the Book Signing by Nick Berry, “Almighty Matters”, at **The Annapolis Bookstore**, downtown, Maryland Avenue
- **Attended and intently listened during the Newtowne Drive Community Public Safety Meeting, at the Homes of the Glen Community Center, Juliana Circle**
- Was honored to be asked to give Greetings to our youth and their guests at the “Get Smart Club” Banquet, at the **Stanton Community Center**
- **Attended and participated in the 2nd Annual Crime, Violence, and Mental Illness Conference, Anne Arundel Community College, Pascal Center**
- Attended the Annual TWIN Awards, hosted by the **Annapolis YWCA**, Westin Annapolis Hotel
- Attended the “What Does it Mean to Be White?” Educational Presentation, at the **Unitarian Universalist Church of Annapolis**
- Attended the “Beautiful Swimmers Revisited” film, in celebration of “Chesapeake Bay Awareness Week”, at Maryland Hall’s gymnasium, hosted by the **Chesapeake Bay Commission**
- Attended and participated in the Community Forum for the new **Annapolis Regional Library**, at the Annapolis High School Auditorium
- **Along with the City, initiated and held an Annapolis Job Fair in June, at the Pip Moyer Recreation Center, bringing in 2 critical partners—namely, the Anne Arundel Workforce Development Corporation (AAWDC) and the Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (DLLR)—the first ever adult Job Fair held in Annapolis; 31 employers were invited and 29 participated, approximately 250 job seekers attended, and at least 18 were hired (on the spot)**
- Met with the **Community Action Agency’s** Executive Director regarding their programming
- Introduced myself and briefly met with 2 representatives of the **National Park Service**, Eastport Office (they likewise celebrated their 100th year anniversary in 2016)
- Visited, toured, and met with the Executive Director Mrs. Holstrom of the **Food Link (Emergency Baby Pantry)**, 2666 Riva Road, Annapolis
- **Was honored to be asked to be the Presenter to the Leadership Anne Arundel Class: “Neighborhood Leadership Academy”, Topic: “Local government and community issues; How and why I became involved in running for government; address issues of interest”**
- Scheduled a meeting for the Mayor, the Superintendent of **Anne Arundel County Public Schools (AACPS)**, AACPS’ Executive Director of the Office of Equity and Accelerated Student Achievement, and me, to meet, dialogue, and discuss a variety of issues that involve and directly impact our students and residents, particularly those who live in public and low income housing communities
- **Note: We are currently working on a Memorandum of Understanding between the City and AACPS that will begin to address many of these issues—this time, unlike in the past, with direct input from the City. Keeping in constant communication, the City has established a very good working relationship with the Superintendent and his staff.**
- Was honored to be asked to give Remarks at the **Men Aiming Higher**, Kickoff, at the Pip Moyer Recreation Center, where the Theme was: “Fathers for Domestic Peace”
- **Continue to salute: Six of our local businesses made “Inc.’s Annual 5000 List”; and 2 of these businesses are located in Ward 3—namely, No. 1,686: Capital Teas (Specialty beverages), 3-year growth: 220%, www.capitalteas.com , HQ - 1814 Margaret Avenue (and with a business at 77 Main Street downtown Annapolis, MD 21401); AND No. 1,688: Mavenspire (Data center services), 3-year growth: 220%, www.mavenspire.com , 53 Old Solomons Island Road, Suite H, and mailed them each a Congratulations card**
- **Along with 3 other residents (Sharon Mackell, Melvin Colbert, and Archie Trader), formed the Street Corner Ministries Coalition (SCMC) and launched this initiative, where the two-fold mission is: 1 – For every church to “formally adopt” and to provide, on a monthly and consistent basis, worship, and other services, either “on the street” or in the community center of these communities; and 2 – To develop and formally publish a list of outreach services that they provide and can provide to these communities. (Eventually, creating “an App for that” would be ideal because everyone has a phone.)**

- **Note: This initiative is a “continuing work in progress”, i.e., where other organizations have been invited (and have accepted the invitation) to “adopt” communities as well, e.g., businesses, etc.**
- Was invited, attended, and participated in the **Center of Help’s (Centro de Ayuda’s)** Citizen Celebration, at the Arundel Center
- Note: At the conclusion of the program, had a very productive impromptu “meeting” with Mr. Ed Greene, Executive Director of the **Opportunities Industrialization Center (OIC) of Anne Arundel County**—they consistently provide adult education and job readiness services by offering free classes in GED Preparation, Introduction to Computer, Microsoft Office Essentials, and English as a Second Language
- Was honored to be asked to be the Guest Speaker at the **Annapolis Rotary Club**, on the topic: “The History and Heritage of Parole”, where 85 “Walk Parole: A Scavenger Hunt for History” brochures were distributed to each attendee
- Attended and thoroughly enjoyed The **West Annapolis Music Fest**, Ward 2
- Attended the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the restored gravesite of **Wiley H. Bates, at the Brewer Hill Cemetery**
- Attended and thoroughly enjoyed the annual **Annapolis Rotary Club’s** Crab Feast, at USNA Stadium
- Attended the beginning of the event “Cinema Under the Stars”, in the **Annapolis Design District**, 1912 Lincoln Drive, Ward 3
- Attended and participated in the renewed “Parole Fun Festival Day”, hosted by the “**Friends of the Walter S. Mills-Parole Elementary School**”
- Attended Mr. Raynaldo Brown’s annual Back to School and Backback Giveaway Rally, in **Oxford Landing, Wards 3 & 4**
- Attended, participated, and dialogued with a variety of persons at the **Harbour House-Eastport Terrace Unity Day**, in Harbour House Park on Madison Street
- Along with 2 Parole Health Center (PHC) officers, met with our **Anne Arundel County Department of Health** Officer Dr. Jinlene Chan regarding the **Community Health Center at Parole’s** upcoming and robust 80th anniversary celebration in October, and other health matters in general
- Note: I was unable to attend the PHC’s 80th anniversary celebration due to an AACPS mandatory evening work obligation
- Attended the Special VIP Reception/Mix and Mingle/Entertainment, **Arts Alive event, at Maryland Hall**
- Attended the 2nd Annual Art in Action, in the **Annapolis Design District** Festival, George Avenue, Ward 3
- Attended the Beyond the Stacks #2, Annapolis Regional Library, 1410 West Street, hosted by the **Anne Arundel County Public Library Foundation**
- **Was honored to be asked in May 2016, by a long-time AACPS administrator, to be an active participant in the planning of the “Ruth Starr Rose: Revelations of African American Life in Maryland and the World” Opening Reception and Performance, as well as The Mitchell Gallery’s month-long Exhibit, at St. John’s College (in January-February 2017)**
- **Note: Increasingly, and in a major way, my full-time AACPS responsibilities are overlapping and intersecting with my City Council duties**
- Was honored to be asked to attend, participate, and give Remarks at the “FAMILY: Rebuild - Redirect – Reinvest” outdoors event, in the **Newtowne 20** community, hosted by Pastor Charles Carroll and Bishop Craig Coates
- Was honored to be asked to attend, participate, and provide Remarks at the “Excellence, Education, and Eager to Promote Community Outreach Awards Ceremony”, at **Annapolis Gardens, hosted by the Lighthouse Apostolic Church**, Pastor Bishop Raymond Gerald
- **Along with the City, initiated and held a 2nd Annapolis Job Fair in October, at the Pip Moyer Recreation Center, again bringing in 2 critical partners—namely, the Anne Arundel Workforce Development Corporation (AAWDC) and the Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (DLLR)—the second ever adult Job Fair held in Annapolis; 49 employers were invited and 47 participated, approximately 277 job seekers attended, 39 received interviews, and at least 18 were hired**

- **Note: We are beginning to plan for a Job Fair/Hiring Event in the City in the spring/summer 2017 specifically targeting ex-offenders**
- **NOTE: The City initiated, and I staunchly supported, Maryland Live!’s hosting of an extremely successful Hiring Event (which is much different from a Job Fair) in December 2016, at the Pip Moyer Recreation Center, where, after the mandatory background checks have been completed, at least 100 job seekers were/will be hired**
- Met with a **State Highway Administration** administrator and 3 representatives, along with 2 City officials, and a member of the GPCA’s Executive Leadership Team, specifically regarding traffic at West Street/Gibraltar Street as it pertains to area development and building
- **Followed the process, through the Annapolis Heritage Commission and the City Council, to rename 3 streets in historic Parole—namely, “Norwood Brown Lane”, “Hoppy Adams Way”, and “Noah Taylor Way”**
- **Note:** A formal ceremony will be planned later in the spring/summer
- Prior to the beginning of the 2016-2017 school year, was asked to develop a year-long curriculum for the **Black History Club at Annapolis High School**, which has resulted in the development of several other youth and community initiatives, in our challenged communities, especially during the 2016 holiday season, for the purpose of promoting and reestablishing trust and relationship-building, namely—
- APD attended and actively participated in several holiday parties for the **pre-school and elementary school children** in their communities, armed with gifts and well-wishes, including Mr. Raynaldo Brown’s annual event in Annapolis Gardens, Ward 3;
- APD greeted **middle school students** with a candy cane and a holiday card, signed by the City’s elected officials as well as local churches and organizations, as the students dismounted their buses in their communities;
- APD and the City hosted a Holiday Celebration for our **high school students** (Black History Club and After School Homework Club) at Annapolis High School for approximately 150 students—providing them with a catered meal and a candy cane and a holiday card;
- The City’s African-American Community Services Specialist distributed a keychain and a holiday card to each of the **790 households within the Housing Authority for the City of Annapolis (HACA)**; and
- APD created and hand-delivered a giant holiday card to the rental office/community office of each of our **8 subsidized/low income housing communities**.
- **Note: Increasingly, and in a major way, my full-time AACPS responsibilities are overlapping and intersecting with my City Council duties**
- **Note: Very recently, the APD proceeded with a major reorganization—in many ways, in response to a request to increase “community policing”; as a result, each Ward has been assigned a Sgt. who is directly responsible for addressing community concerns**
- Attended and provided testimony, on the record, along with our City’s Director of Transportation, at the **Maryland Department of Transportation’s (MDOT) Public Hearing** on the New Express Commuter Bus Service, at the Annapolis Regional Library
- **Note:** The new **Director of Transportation for Anne Arundel County** was present to address any issues and concerns
- **Under the sponsorship of former Alderwoman Dr. Classie G. Hoyle, attended and participated in the “Unveiling of the Physician Dr. Theodore Johnson Heritage Marker”, at the Goldstein Treasury Building Courtyard, and honored to be asked to give Remarks, and to introduce the family of Dr. Johnson, and those in attendance whom Dr. Johnson had delivered as babies**
- **Note: This completes Dr. Hoyle’s work of installing all of the heritage markers, which has been a project of the Parole area’s historical (and continuing) celebration**
- **Attempting and am always open to periodically meeting with various community groups and individuals—my offer remains perpetual**

Highlights of the year 12/2/16-12/3/17—

- Continued to attend the **Annapolis and Anne Arundel County Chambers of Commerce’s Annual Legislative Breakfast**

- Continued to collaborate with the **SoFo Annapolis** (South Forest Drive Business Association)
- **Read and review daily the APD's Daily Report and routinely request additional information from the APD if any incidents involve Ward 3**
- Continued to encourage Ward 3 residents to sign up, with the City's Office of Emergency Management", for the **App "Prepare Me Annapolis"** (and also to increase their Twitter followers and their Facebook "likes")
- Continued to work with the **Downtown Annapolis Partnership (AP)** on several levels
- Continued to be invited to appear on **Comcast's "Newsmakers" segment**
- **Was honored to be selected by the Mayor to serve as Acting Mayor for 3 consecutive days (kept full-time office hours in City Hall every weekday)**
- Participated, for the 2nd consecutive year, in the **"Remembering Ronnesha Walk"** in Annapolis in support of this deceased victim (and her family) who succumbed as a result of domestic violence—the victim being a classmate of my daughter and the perpetrator being a classmate of my son
- Continued to periodically attend the **City's monthly Business Leaders Meetings**
- Continued to attend and participate in the annual **Anne Arundel County Delegation "Legislative Priorities Meeting"**
- Continued to participate in discussions regarding the **Upper West Street Sector Study**
- Especially during the winter months, continued to regularly check on any **Ward 3 homeless "residents" at the Shoppers bus shelter, etc.**
- Continued to attend various **County events/places, where information that is provided and is gleaned is beneficial to our City as well**, including (but not limited to), actively participating with the County Health Department's initiative "Parents Who Host Lose the Most" Drug Free Action Alliance, with the City becoming a partner
- Through the **Greater Parole Community Association, the Co-Chair of the Health and Public Safety Committee** disseminated health information regularly throughout Ward 3 and the area
- **Periodically, take an "area familiarization review" of various neighborhoods in Ward 3**
- **On a quarterly basis, visit and meet with the Allen Apartments' Residents Manager, Ward 3 (Latino residents)**
- Continued as an active participant in the planning of the **"Ruth Starr Rose: Revelations of African American Life in Maryland and the World" Opening Reception and Performance, as well as The Mitchell Gallery's month-long Exhibit, at St. John's College** (in January-February 2017)
- Attended meetings and engaged in dialogue regarding possible **crosswalks on West Street at the Anne Arundel County Public Library's entrance**
- Continued to dialogue regarding the **Rocky Gorge property, Ward 4** (directly abuts Ward 3)
- Periodically attended the **City's Recreation Advisory Board's** monthly meetings
- Attended **Mr. Raynaldo Brown's Annual Youth Christmas Party**
- Attended (and gave very brief remarks) the **Retirement Celebration for Mrs. Yevola Peters, Arundel Center**
- Spearheaded the **Annapolis Police Department's (APD) and the City's hosting of a Holiday Celebration for our high school students (Black History Club and After School Homework Club) at Annapolis High School for approximately 150 students**—providing them with a catered meal, a gift bag, a candy cane, and a holiday card;
- The City's African-American Community Services Specialist distributed a keychain and a holiday card to each of the **790 households within the Housing Authority for the City of Annapolis (HACA)**; and
- APD created and hand-delivered a giant holiday card to the rental office/community office of each of our **8 low income/subsidized housing communities.**
- **Co-facilitated instituting/partnering with the City's Police Department and the County's Crisis Response/Crisis Intervention Team, resulting in an unprecedented Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to formally provide critical and timely services to our City's residents**
- Participated in a series of meetings regarding the **Monarch Academy, Ward 3**, most particularly as it relates to our community's public safety

- Continued meeting and dialoguing regarding the **First Lady Michelle Obama’s The White House’s “Let’s Move!” campaign**, City Recreation and Parks Department
- Continued to monitor the progress of the **Dorsey Avenue stormwater project, Ward 3**
- Continued dialoguing regarding the **Upper West Street Sector Study**
- **Began discussions and meetings regarding the Community Health Center at Parole, Inc.’s/Parole Health Center’s “Local Historic Landmark Designation”—the first and only local landmark designation outside of the Annapolis Historic District**
- Attended meetings regarding some reorganization, events, etc., with the **Annapolis Police Department (APD)**, e.g., Sergeants’ assignments to specific Wards, their 150th Anniversary, etc.
- Attended the **Annual Maryland Legislative Reception**, hosted by the Mayor and the Maryland Municipal League (MML), Governor Calvert House, Annapolis
- Attended and participated in the Annual City and/or County **Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday events—Dinner, Breakfast, Parade**
- Attended the **“Kick-Off Act II: Theatre Production Wing, Groundbreaking, The Campaign for Maryland Hall”**, hopefully in furtherance of a partnership with our City’s youth
- Attended the new **Anne Arundel County Public Library SMART Table Demonstration**, West Street
- Periodically present to **Annapolis High School’s Black History Club**, including at the Black History Program event
- Attended a meeting with Mr. Lee Tawney, **National Sailing Hall of Fame**, regarding a possible partnership with the City/our City’s youth
- Regularly meet and/or communicate with **BGE** regarding City projects, issues, etc.
- Attended **The Light House Bistro Grand Opening**, Inner West Street
- **Was invited to and attended the Southwoods community’s , Ward 3, Annual Membership meeting**
- Attended the **Annual Youth Basketball Awards Ceremony**, Pip Moyer Recreation Center, and assisted with the awards presentation
- Attended the **Annual Marine and Maritime Career Fair, Annapolis High School**, for our students
- **Attended the “Concerned Residents of Heritage” meeting regarding the MAIF building, etc.**
- Attended the **“Keys to Affordable Housing Presentation”**, St. John Neuman Catholic Church, sponsored by GAIN (Greater Annapolis Interfaith Network)
- **Was invited to be the AACPS’ Annual (Walter S.) Mills-(Douglas) King Awards Dinner and Ceremony’s Keynote Speaker, Millersville**
- **Scheduled a 2-hour “Meet and Greet” for the residents of The Point/1901 West Street, Ward 3, Cyber Café**
- Attended and participated in a meeting with **Georgetown East Elementary School’s (GEES) leadership, AACPS’ leadership, and the Anne Arundel Department of Health’s leadership regarding establishing the Strengthening Families program at GEES**
<http://aahealth.org/pdf/strengthen-families.pdf>
- Attended the **Annual Artists Without Limits Art Exhibit Reception**, Arundel Center, hosted primarily by the **County Department of (Aging and) Disabilities**
- Attended the **Annual “Kickoff Celebration of Healthy Anne Arundel Month”**, sponsored by the **Healthy Anne Arundel Coalition**, County Farmers’ Market, 275 Harry S. Truman Parkway
- Attended the Annual **“Men of Courage International’s 2nd Annual Annapolis Family Reunion** event, Annapolis Middle School
- Attended the **“Pass-Pick-and Play, Distribution of Slightly Used Athletic Equipment—Sports Equipment Donation Initiative” event, Pip Moyer Recreation Center (PMRC)**
- **Appeared before the County’s Administrative Hearing Officer, testified, and presented a Legal Brief in opposition to the proposed marijuana/cannabis dispensary, 2029 West Street**
- Attended the Annual **“For the Love of the Library”** event, Anne Arundel County Public Library, Eastport/Hillsmere Library
- Attended the **Annual Greenscape at Chambers Park, Ward 3**

- **Investigated and secured a necessary 2nd polling place in Ward 3 for the 2017 City-wide Election (The Bridge Church, Chinquapin Round Road)**
- **Attended and participated in “Operation Legacy Project, Donate a book, Read a book”, at Walter S. Mills-Parole Elementary School (WSM-PES)**
- **Attended a special Secular and Spiritual Eastport Terrace-Harbour House event**
- **Invited to Tour, with the City’s Environmental Director Maria Broadbent, the work of the South River Federation, 2000 block Forest Drive, Ward 3**
- **Engaged in a telephone conversation/meeting with Pamela Lyons, Senior Vice President, Community Impact Strategies, Community Preservation and Development Corporation, Silver Spring, regarding the Admiral Oaks community, Ward 3, May 2, 2017**
- **Attended a “Unit Block Parole Street and Parole Street Parking and Stop Sign Meeting”, with the Directors and their representative(s) of the Department of Public Works (DPW) (2), APD (1), and Annapolis Department of Transportation (ADOT) (1)**
- **Attended the Fifth Annual Summer of Love Block Party, Annapolis Design District, Ward 3, In Home Stone and Hartcorn Studios, a part of the First-ever Annapolis Arts Week**
- **Attended A Tribute to Linnell Bowen upon her Retirement as Executive Director of Maryland Hall, at Maryland Hall**
- **Attended and actively participated in the Landmark Designation Ceremony of the Parole Health Center**
- **Attended the APD Open House, in celebration of 150 years, APD HQ**
- **Attended a meeting with Ms. Phyllis Gray, Bay Ridge Gardens, and Annapolis Gardens (Ward 3), Resident Services Manager, and Ms. Denise Brown Bogan, Bay Ridge Gardens, Property Manager, regarding these 2 communities**
- **Attended a “Launch Annapolis” business entrepreneurship meeting/event, O’Callaghan Annapolis Hotel, West Street**
- **Attended and participated in a “Listening Session—Your Voice Matters”, presented by Annapolis Youth Violence Outreach, Woodside Gardens, Building 711, followed by a “Newtowne 20 Meet and Greet”**
- **Attempting and am always open to periodically meeting with various community groups and individuals—my offer remains perpetual**
- **Attended and actively participated in the Mayor’s Annual Senior Holiday Luncheon, at the Annapolis Senior Activity Center, Wiley H. Bates Heritage Park**
- **Continued to attend the Annapolis Design District’s various events, Ward 3**
- **Attended and continued to participate in the Healthy Anne Arundel Coalition (HAAC) Steering Committee**
- **Continued to tout, on behalf of historic Parole, the “Walk Parole: A Scavenger Hunt for History” historic document (very sleek brochure), which was in recognition of Maryland Day 2016 in March**
- **Continued to support Annapolis’ Taco Bell, Ward 3—one of my 2 community meeting locations (along with the Parole Health Center)**
- **Continued to support the Re-Opening of the Anne Arundel County Public Library’s Annapolis Regional Branch, West Street**
- **Continued to dialogue with the Annapolis Historic Preservation Commission**
- **Continued to attend the Greater Parole Community Association’s Quarterly Community Meetings**
- **Along with the City, initiated and held 2 more Annapolis Job Fairs/Hiring Events in December (Maryland Live!) and September (Second Chance Resource and Mini-Hiring Event), at the Pip Moyer Recreation Center, again, with our 2 critical partners—namely, the Anne Arundel Workforce Development Corporation (AAWDC) and the Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (DLLR)**
- **Was honored to be asked again to be the Presenter to the Leadership Anne Arundel Class: “Neighborhood Leadership Academy”, Topic: “Local government and community issues; How and why I became involved in running for government; address issues of interest”**
- **Continued, with the Mayor, and/or the Superintendent of Anne Arundel County Public Schools (AACPS), and/or AACPS’ Executive Director of the Office of Equity and Accelerated Student Achievement, and me, to**

meet, dialogue, and discuss a variety of issues that involve and directly impact our students and residents, particularly those who live in public, subsidized, and low income housing communities

- **Note: We are currently working on a Memorandum of Understanding between the City and AACPS that will begin to address many of these issues—this time, unlike in the past, with direct input from the City. Keeping in constant communication, the City has established a very good working relationship with the Superintendent and his staff.**
- **Continued, along with 3 other residents, the Street Corner Ministries Coalition, where the two-fold mission is: 1 – For every church to “formally adopt” and to provide, on a monthly and consistent basis, worship, and other services, (and other vital services) either “on the street” or in the community center of these communities; and 2 – To develop and formally publish a list of outreach services that they provide and can provide to these communities, including being a part of the City’s website. (Eventually, creating “an App for that” would be ideal because everyone has a phone.) The Mayor was invited and attended our monthly meeting in August 2018.**
- **Note: This initiative is a “continuing work in progress”, which was highlighted during a 5-day series of events at 5 area locations, hosted by 5 area churches, October 23-27, 2017, “One Annapolis Live!”**
- **Spearheaded the City’s hosting of an End of the School Year Celebration for our high school students (Black History Club and After School Homework Club) at Annapolis High School for approximately 150 students—providing them with a catered meal and a summer gift bag**
- **Was honored to be selected by the Mayor to serve as Acting Mayor for 3 consecutive days (kept full-time office hours in City Hall every weekday), June 25-27, 2017**
- **Toured the City’s new Water Treatment Plant**
- **Attended the City’s “First Sunday Arts Festival”**
- **Again, participated in the City’s Annual Independence Day Parade**
- **Continued to maintain a wonderful working relationship and partnership with the United States Naval Academy, especially the Mids In Action Program, Ms. Miriam Stanicic**
- **Scheduled a late-morning and a mid-morning “Meet and Greet” with Ward 3 residents at the Ward 3 West Street Taco Bell**
- **Again, was invited, attended, and participated in the Ward 3’s Center of Help’s (Centro de Ayuda’s) Newest Citizens Celebration, at the Arundel Center**
- **Again, attended the Bloomsbury Square’s Annual Community Day**
- **Attended one of the first Forest Drive/Eastport Sector Study meetings**
- **Meeting with Susan Siefried, Annapolis/Anne Arundel County Visitors Bureau, regarding a possible Parole partnership**
- **Periodically attended the Housing Authority of the City of Annapolis’ (HACA) Board of Commissioners meetings; and continue to meet and/or communicate with HACA leadership**
- **Attended the Box of Rain Summer activities for the youth, Pip Moyer Recreation Center (PMRC)**
- **Attended and participated in Ward 3’s National Night Out celebrations—Annapolis Gardens and Chambers Park**
- **Attended the Ribbon Cutting for Bishop Craig Coates’ newly located seamstress business, and Natasha “Missy” Trader’s new business, “The Chop Shop Barber Lounge”, 139 Gibraltar Avenue, Ward 3**
- **Attended the Ribbon Cutting at 45 Old Solomons Island Road, Suite 205, Ward 3, “Green Life Chiropractic & Wellness”—opening a new branch, Annapolis Pain Management, Ward 3**
- **Attended and thoroughly enjoyed the annual Annapolis Rotary Club’s Crab Feast, USNA Stadium**
- **Attended the “Butler Execs Debut Festival”, Chambers Park, Ward 3**
- **Attended 3 World War I Centennial 1918-2018 Commission Meetings**
- **Note: Both of my grandfathers were WWI veterans—one stationed stateside and one stationed in France**
- **Continued to regularly attend and participate in the Caucus of African American Leaders’ monthly meetings**
- **Continued to attend and/or communicate regarding the Opportunities Industrialization Center’s (OIC) GED Prep Classes Planning Meetings, etc.**

- Was invited to be interviewed by “Eye on Annapolis”, podcast
- **Started meeting with the City, et al., regarding the zoning and/or developments in Ward 3—the Gibraltar/Moreland Parkway area; and continued as well to meet regarding other areas of Ward 3, e.g., the Godspeed Way property (Fairfax)**
- Continued to periodically visit with Ward 3 area houses of worship
- **Attended “The Celebration of a 100 Year Era of The Gillis/Hoyle Family Residing at 2089 Forest Drive” event**
- **Attended the Ribbon Cutting for Cyro Annapolis, 108 Old Solomons Island Road, Ward 3**
- **Attended Mr. Raynaldo Brown’s Annual Back to School and Backpack Giveaway Rally, in Oxford Landing, Wards 3 & 4**
- **Attended the Annual Eastport Terrace-Harbour House Community Unity Day, Harbour House Park, Madison Street**
- **Attended the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., “I Have a Dream Speech 50th Anniversary Celebration”, Foot Soldiers Memorial, Calvert Street**
- **Attended a Dinner in honor of outgoing GPCA President Mr. Harrison Vincent Price, Jr.**
- **Scheduled a “12 Midnight-10 P.M. Can We Talk? 22 Hour Community Telephone Chat” for Ward 3 residents to chat with their Alderwoman**
- **Scheduled a “Meet and Greet” at the Beacon Light Seventh Day Adventist Church, Drew Street, for Ward 3 residents**
- **Attended Anne Arundel United, hosted by the County Executive—a new initiative to unite the County against racism and hatred, Annapolis Boys & Girls Club headquarters**
- **Attended the Annual Art in Action: Fall Street Festival, Annapolis Design District, Ward 3**
- **Attended the Ward 1 Residents Association, 2017 Fall Membership Meeting and Topic: An in-depth Round Table discussion with the 2 selected Market House proposers, Acton’s Landing Community Room**
- **Started becoming intricately involved in the Market House Lease Negotiations—then voted by the Council members to serve as their sole Representative on this Board, October 2017, which involved hundreds of hours of work, meetings, communication, etc.**
- **Attended the City’s and County Health Department’s Free Drive Thru Flu Vaccine Clinic, USNA Stadium**
- **Attended the Annual Morris H. Blum Senior Highrise Community Day**
- **Attended and participated in the “Open House/Roundtable Discussion/Presentation: Concerned About Equal Opportunity and Human Relations in Annapolis? How to make Annapolis a model for good human relations”, St. Luke’s Episcopal Church, Eastport**
- **Briefly met with Mr. Keith Jones, African-American, new owner of the internationally famous Chick ‘N Ruth’s Deli, Main Street**
- **Started meeting regarding the Ward 3 “Quality of Life Issues: Residential Occupancy, Parking, Health, Crime, and the Economic (and Visual) Impact upon our City”**
- **Periodically attended the Almost Friday Morning Democratic Club meetings, Eastport**
- **Attended the Annual Anne Arundel County, DisABILITY Awareness Day, hosted by the Anne Arundel County Department of Aging and Disabilities, Annapolis Mall**
- **Scheduled a “10 P.M.-11:59 Midnight Can We Talk? 26 Hour Community Telephone Chat” for Ward 3 residents to chat with their Alderwoman, October 2017**
- **Scheduled a “12 Midnight-10 P.M. Can We Talk? 22 Hour Community Telephone Chat” for Ward 3 residents to chat with their Alderwoman, October 2017**
- **Attended the Alcohol Beverage Control Board Meeting, Agenda, License for Tequila Sunrise (formerly, Court of Shanghai), Ward 3**
- **Attended the Annual Mighty Milers Youth event, City Recreation and Parks Department, Annapolis High School Track**
- **Attended Fall Greenscape at Chambers Park, Ward 3 (albeit, very late)**

- Began meeting with several area health professionals regarding providing services to our public and subsidized housing community residents, including PracKind (Amaris Watson, LCSW); 2-hour Tour and Meeting with Michael Drummond, ED, Arundel Lodge, regarding possible mental health services for our most challenged communities; etc.
- Attended the Board of Directors' Special Membership Meeting, James and Sylvia SAIL Center, Anne Arundel Medical Center
- Started attending and participating in the Annapolis Collaborative for Change meetings, with the County's Partnership for Children, Youth, and Families
- Started attending the meetings and discussions with the Hilltop Village community, et al., City Staff, etc., regarding parking, etc., concerning the renovations of the MAIF building, Forest Drive, Ward 3
- Periodically attend the Maryland Legislative Priorities Meetings, 2018 Legislative Session, especially if the topics are City- or AACPS-related
- As a result of a recent homicide, started attending and actively participating in the "Eastport Working Together" meetings, Eastport Terrace-Harbour House Community Center, November 2017
- Sole Presenter, "New Council Orientation" meeting: "So You Want to be an Alderperson?!"
- Attended a meeting with Engineer Corren Johnson, Regional SHA Director, Engineer Kim Tran, City Manager, and GPCA leadership, regarding the proposed traffic light at West and Gibraltar Streets
- Attempting and am always open to periodically meeting with various community groups and individuals—my offer remains perpetual

- **NOTE:**

- **AS THE CITY COUNCIL'S PUBLIC SAFETY STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIR, STARTING IN DECEMBER 2017 (BY A UNANIMOUS VOTE), I AM INCREASINGLY INVOLVED IN ADDRESSING THE MULTITUDE OF ISSUES SURROUNDING OUR ENTIRE CITY, ESPECIALLY THOSE THAT AFFECT OUR PUBLIC, SUBSIDIZED, AND LOW INCOME HOUSING COMMUNITIES. IN OTHER WORDS, THIS CHAIRPERSONSHIP ALSO PROVIDES ME WITH THE OPPORTUNITIES TO ADDRESS OTHER ISSUES OF CONCERN IN OUR CITY AS WELL, SEE BELOW HERE:**

Chair, Public Safety Standing Committee, Annapolis City Council—Police; and Fire (including EMS/paramedics), and the Office of Emergency Management

By law, the Public Safety Committee shall consider matters affecting public safety in the City. The Public Safety Committee shall review all proposed amendments to Title 11 (Public Peace, Morals and Welfare) and Title 12 (Vehicles and Traffic) of the City Code. First and foremost: The public's safety is paramount. Moreover, as this legal obligation relates to the community's residents, businesses, and visitors, the public's safety, including the public's peace, morals, and welfare, is best assured when its residents are: 1 - healthy; 2 - informed (i.e., educated); 3 - meaningfully engaged in the enhancement of our professional and volunteer workforce; 4 - residing in safe and affordable housing communities; 5 - pursuing social, community, entertainment, the arts, historical, and recreational activities; 6 - as well as possibly choosing to enlighten themselves spiritually. Therefore, the Public Safety Committee is committed to working as "One Annapolis"—an Annapolis that values everyOne.

- There are an inordinate number of responsibilities and attendance and participation requirements that are associated with serving as your City's Public Safety Chair (just to name a few), e.g., goals planning meetings; community holiday events; homicide analysis; monitoring statistics/data, including, but not limited to crimes, violence, shootings, substance use disorder, staff retentions, etc.; assisting in the implementation of body worn cameras; attending APD and Annapolis Fire Department (AFD) promotions and recognitions; assisting in monitoring our homeless population, our dialysis patients (especially during emergencies), etc.; attending severe weather, operations, and events briefings (for at least 20 major yearly City events, including the inauguration); participating in many exercises and trainings, severe weather briefings, etc., various City Fire Prevention events, including Annual Line of Duty Death Cemetery Memorials; Recruitment Graduation Ceremonies; ETC.

- **NOTE:** And increasingly, and in a major way, my full-time AACPS responsibilities are overlapping and intersecting with my City Council duties.

Highlights of the year 12/4/17-12/3/18—

- **Was voted unanimously to serve as a member of the City Council’s Transportation Standing Committee**
- **Was voted unanimously to serve as a member of the City Council’s Audit Committee**
- **Periodically, take an “area familiarization review” of various neighborhoods in Ward 3**
- **Read and review daily the APD’s Daily Report and routinely request additional information from the APD if any incidents involve Ward 3**
- **On a quarterly basis, visit and meet with the Allen Apartments’ Residents Manager, Ward 3**
- **Started attending meetings regarding the new development, Parole Place, Ward 3**
- **Attended and participated in the “How Do I Help My Child” meeting with the Latino communities, Annapolis Middle School**
- **Attended the Alcohol Beverage Control Board Meeting, for the License for Tequila Sunrise (formerly, Court of Shanghai), Ward 3**
- **Attended the City Board of Appeals Hearing/Meeting, Mi Lindo Cancun license, for their restaurant at 2134 Forest Drive, Ward 3**
- **Meeting with John Graham, Manekin, and with The Maryland State Judiciary—a Pre-Proposal Conference, regarding the leasing of the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund (MAIF) property, Ward 3**
- **Attended and participated in at least 14 Market House Negotiation Team and/or Community Meetings, within a 6 month period, at the very least, for 30 hours (not including preparation work, etc.)**
- **Attended the Mayor’s Annual Holiday Party, City Hall**
- **Periodically attend and participate in the City’s monthly Business Leadership Meetings**
- **Periodically meet with Dr. George Arlotto, Anne Arundel County Public Schools’ Superintendent, Central Office, regarding issues that affect both AACPS and the City**
- **Regularly meet monthly with Dr. Maisha Gillins, AACPS’ Executive Director of the Office of Equity and Accelerated Student Achievement, regarding the Community Ambassadors program, Newtowne 20 rebuilding/relocation (etc.); and regularly invited to attend and/or actively participate in the Community Ambassadors’ various events/activities, e.g., Breakfast Meeting, discussions regarding Job Description comparisons, etc.**
- **Note: The Community Ambassadors, since 2006 (when now retired, then Pupil Personnel Worker Sharon McKinney Mackell and I formed and initiated this program), have and continue to admirably serve Annapolis as our community-embedded adults who work with many of our challenging students and their families, and who literally are our "human bridge builders between our schools’ houses and our students’ houses"**
- **VERY IMPORTANT:**
- **Started attending our various “Working Together Meetings” (Eastport, then Bay Ridge); and Naptown Anti-Dope Events around the City, starting with the American Legion Post #141**
- **NOTE: There were an overwhelming number of unfortunate substance use disorder fatalities in Annapolis in 2018—namely, a blow to our families and our community—(unlike the demographics in Anne Arundel County), 10 African-American males over the age of 45; and 1 African-American female, age 25, on December 30, 2018. As a result, the City applied for and was awarded 3 grants from our Anne Arundel County Health Department toward combatting this epidemic—namely, to the Mayor’s Office, “Naptown Anti-Dope Move(meant)”, NAM; to AFD, “Your Life Matters” (YLM); and to the Office of Emergency Management (OEM), “OD Free”.**
- **Endured the deadly shooting of 5 dedicated staffers at The Capital newspapers, 888 Bestgate Road—and a blow to our families and our community, as well as to our democracy and to our Constitution: Attended the Prayer Vigil; and Remembering Our Colleagues Memorial Service, Loew’s Hotel**

- Assisted (and continuing to assist) with addressing the **bus transportation challenges for our Belle Drive/Belle Court, Greenbriar, Newtowne 20, and Woodside Gardens communities' students to and from Annapolis Middle School**
- **Initiated the "One Annapolis: Safe Summer 2018—Covering the Waterfront" where the goal is to ensure that every youth, ages birth-24, is engaged in at least one meaningful traditional camp, "Pop-Up camp", internship/mentorship, workforce, cradle/pre-school opportunity, etc. These "Pop-Up camps" are designed to operate normally for 3-8 hours only—providing our youth with at least some sort of positive experience over the summer. As I continue to preach: There is nothing worse, when school opens in September, and everyone is sharing their summer memories, than a child who has nothing to share what experiences he/she enjoyed over the summer. Even one experience can last as a lifetime of memories. Also, assisted with the End of School Year events, and the Back to School events.**
- **Assisted (and continue to assist) with addressing various Housing Authority of the City of Annapolis (HACA) challenges—responsibilities and attendance and participation requirements, e.g., lighting; family health services; Strengthening Families program; security; workforce; safety strategies; monthly Board meetings; etc.; etc.**
- **Attended the CFG Community Bank Ribbon Cutting/Open House, 888 Bestgate Road, Annapolis Anne Arundel County (relocation from the Annapolis city limits)**
- **On December 13, 2017, co-initiated the first meeting with Sue Rogan, MD Cash, and Sandy Comenetz, Esq., Heritage, Ward 3, regarding establishing the first and unprecedented "Annapolis/Anne Arundel County Financial Education Coalition", which was officially launched with a Kick-Off event on April 24, 2018, with over 40 (many of whom I solicited) various organizations, businesses, and governmental agencies in attendance and willing to work diligently toward the financial education of all Annapolis and County residents**
- **Attended the Mayor's Annual Seniors Holiday Party, Senior Center**
- **Attended and participated in the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority's Dedication of the Little Free Library, Chambers Park, Ward 3**
- **Attended and participated in the Youth Hoops Charity Game, Annapolis High**
- **Again, attended and participated in the Annual Annapolis Gardens Christmas Party, Carolyn Butler Community Center, Annapolis Gardens, Ward 3, hosted by Mr. Raynaldo Brown**
- **Participated in several meetings and dialogue as it pertains to the WNAV property, Admiral Drive (ingress/egress in Ward 3)**
- **Participated in several meetings and dialogue as it pertains to the very large grant: Annapolis Collaborative for Change, County's Partnership for Children, Youth, and Families Office, including meeting with persons representing the U.S. Department of Justice**
- **Attended the Mayor and MML's Annual Maryland Legislative Reception, Governor Calvert House, Annapolis**
- **Attended the Black History Program, "A Reading—Frederick Douglass Spoken Word", St. John's College**
- **Attended and/or participated in several Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. recognitions: Remembrance of the Assassination of The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and the renaming of the "Civil Rights Foot Soldiers Memorial Park" to the "MLK Memorial Park", Whitmore Park; and regarding the famous "Letter from Birmingham Jail"—e-mailed the Letter to over 1,500 persons, in 4 parts, over a period of 4 days, leading up to the 50th anniversary of the assassination of Dr. King on April 4, 2018**
- **Continued to assist with the negotiations, e.g., meetings, dialogue, communication, etc., regarding the proposed traffic signal at West Street and Gibraltar Street, Ward 3, including with the County, the City, and the developer of 2010 West Street, Towne Courts**
- **Continued to work with various businesses who have expressed their interest to expand, including The Tunnel Vision, 111 Chinguapin Round Road, Ward 3**
- **Attended the Annual Legislative Breakfast and Forum, hosted by the Anne Arundel County Chamber of Commerce**
- **Co-presented to the Peerless Rens Social Club, Eastport, Chester Avenue, regarding the possible pursuit of a Local Historic Landmark Designation**

- Was specially invited to and attended the Official Retirement of the Basketball Jersey of **Broadneck High School Alumnus Tammy Brown**
- **Note:** As a youth, Tammy was a member of the Mount Olive A.M.E. Church Men Club’s Youth Athletic Program, **Ward 3**, where she was coached, among others, by my husband, Head Coach Marvin Charles, and I served as the Scorekeeper and Statistician. My husband was unable to attend this Retirement event; he was out of state visiting his ill brother in Texas
- Continued to dialogue and meet with **Historic Annapolis**
- Continued to co-address issues and challenges within the **Ward 3 communities of Oxford Landing, Greenbriar and Belle Drive/Belle Court, Heritage, Fairfax** (including dialoguing with the City)
- **Attended the “Relationship Building Event, Industrial Areas Foundation (IAF), with: St. Philip’s Episcopal Church; First Presbyterian Church of Annapolis; and the Islamic Society of Annapolis (Ward 3)”, St. Philip’s Great Hall**
- Attended the **“A Better Maryland” Meeting**, for Elected and Appointed Officials, Arundel Center
- **Continue to attend and participate in various City Recreation and Parks Department meetings, events, etc.**, including Basketball Clinic Trophy Presentation event; Kids in Parks Planning meeting; Second Annual Pass, Pick, and Play Sports Equipment Donations event; Tennis Courts Renovation and Pickleball Courts Construction Community Meeting; Youth Football Team and Academics meetings; Community Forums: Outdoor Fitness Court; Mighty Milers, Annapolis High; etc.
- **Attended and participated in the “Bell at Annapolis on West” Tenants Association Meeting, 1901 West Street, Ward 3**
- Continued to meet and dialogue with representatives from the **Anne Arundel Workforce Development Corporation (AAWDC)**, regarding the **Summer YouthWorks! Program**—also, drumming up businesses, personally knocking on doors, etc.
- Continue to meet and dialogue with the leadership of the **Community Action Agency of Anne Arundel County, West Street, Annapolis**
- **Regularly meet with and/or communicate/dialogue with our City Council’s Ward 5 Alderman Marc Rodriquez and Ms. Adriana Lee, our Mayor’s Hispanic Community Services Specialist, regarding a variety of Hispanic matters, events, etc., including assisting with and/or attending events**
- **On March 15, 2018, attended, gave prepared remarks, and actively participated in the culmination of the Grand Opening—Ribbon Cutting and Program—of the Anne Arundel Workforce Development Corporation’s unprecedented Stanton Community Center Office, which I initiated in 2016, starting with co-hosting, never before, 4 Adult Job Fairs/Hiring Events (June 2016, October 2016, December 2016, September 2017; and May 2018)**
- Continued to dialogue and meet with the **OIC and their new staff**
- **Was honored to be a part of “A Celebration of Resilience: The Dedication of the Plaque in Recognition of Annapolis’ African-American Alderpersons”, City Hall**
- Continued to collaborate with the **SoFo Annapolis** (South Forest Drive Business Association)
- Attended the **Groundbreaking for the New Annapolis Regional Library, 1410 West Street**
- Attended the **Grand Opening of the Anne Arundel County Public Library at Monarch, Ward 3**
- Was interviewed by **3 Bowie State University students** for their Government class
- Attended the **Artists without Limits** event, Arundel Center (albeit very, very late)
- Attended the 3 **“Greenscape events—Chambers Park, Aris T. Allen Statute/Bust, and Forest Villa”, Ward 3** (albeit late)
- Attended and gave prepared remarks at the **Chinquapin Dedication at the Aris T. Allen Memorial, “Re-Introduction of the Chinquapin Tree”**
- Attended the **Governor’s Office of Crime Control and Prevention Training, Crownsville, for the new “Handle with Care” initiative—a joint AACPS, County, and City initiative**
- Began discussions and dialogue regarding the extensive renovations needed for the **Ancient City Lodge** (April and May)

- Was honored to be asked again to be the Presenter to the **Leadership Anne Arundel Class: “Neighborhood Leadership Academy”**
- Was invited to and visited **The Light House**, for a Tour and Lunch, Hudson Street, with the new Executive Director Jo Ann Mattson and her Team, Ward 3
- Attended meetings regarding the **Annapolis City Dock**
- Continued to solicit persons to sit on the **City’s Transportation Board and the City’s Recreation Advisory Board—striving for at least 1 representative from each Ward**
- Continue to actively attend and/or participate, as a member, in the Ward 3’s **Annapolis Design District’s** initiatives and events, e.g., Business Member Luncheon; Summer Festival: “Brazilian Carnival”; “Day of the Dead (Hispanic); Membership Drives; Networking Events; etc.
- Co-hosted, as the City’s representative, along with AAWDC and Maryland’s Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (DLLR) the **“One Annapolis” Job Fair**, City’s Pip Moyer Rec Center
- Continued to meet and/or dialogue and communicate with our **Maryland Department of Social Services, Annapolis, and The Family Tree**
- Provided gifts (8 1/2 x 11 laminated “words to live by”) to our **City’s Strengthening Families graduates**
- Continued to attend the **Presidents Hill Community Association’s Annual Picnic, Ward 1**, Annapolis
- Interviewed by WNAV regarding the proposed marijuana dispensary, etc.
- **Visited and Toured the first completed development during my administration, “Annapolis Townes at Neal Farm”, Dorsey Heights, Ward 3**
- Attended the **“Homes for America Dedication of (The Rev. Leroy) Bowman Place (formerly Timothy House) and Homes at Monument (formerly Timothy Gardens), Annapolis**
- **Attended the Housing and Human Welfare Standing Committee Meeting, City Hall, Guest: Health Officer Fran Phillips**
- **Attended and participated in the Chesapeake Children’s Museum Planning Committee meeting for County-wide events as part of The Big Read, February-March 2019**
- Continued to attend and meet with leadership in **Annapolis area houses of worship**
- Attended the **AAWDC Closing Ceremony for the Summer YouthWorks! Students**, LaFontaine Bleu
- Attended **National Night Out at Annapolis Gardens and Chambers Park, Ward 3**
- Interviewed by WNAV Radio regarding the **Parole Streets Renaming**
- Continued to tangibly support **Moon’s Barbershop’s Back to School event**
- **Continued to attend and tangibly support Mr. Raynaldo Brown’s Annual Back to School Backpack Giveaways and Cookout, Oxford Landing (Wards 3 & 4)**
- **Attended the “Newtowne 20 Town Hall” meeting (after the Safeway shooting); and later, with U.S. Officials and Local Officials**
- **Attended and gave prepared remarks at the “Memorial Street Renaming Ceremony and Procession”—a final culmination of the Celebration of Our History” (100 Years – Walter S. Mills-Parole Elementary School, 1918; the City Resolutions were passed in 2016 for the 3 streets to be renamed—R-36-16, R-37-16, and R-38-16)**
- Attended the **Woodside Gardens Old School Reunion Weekend**, Annapolis
- Attended the **Eastport Terrace-Harbour House Unity Day**, Annapolis
- **Initiated and developed the Parole Health Center’s “2018-2019 Seasonal Heritage Series” of yearly events**
- **Was contacted by and have been regularly meeting and communicating with Mr. Andrea “Andy” Conte, Canadian filmmaker, who is preparing to film a documentary regarding the Community Health Center at Parole, Inc. and the Parole community**
- Was interviewed by Maryland’s **Lost Towns Project**, Ms. Lyndra Pratt Marshall and Mr. John Kille, regarding the Parole community, Parole Health Center (and the Queenstown/Severn community, Queenstown Community Center)

- Attended the **Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony and Dedication of The Edgar Amos Love Conference Center, Asbury U.M. Church, 87 West Street, Annapolis**
- **After receiving several concerns from residents, initiated the City’s Department of Public Works to post a “Do Not Block Entrance” sign at N. Poplar and Bowie Avenues, Ward 3**
- Periodically attend the City’s **Annapolis Education Commission** monthly meetings
- Periodically attend the City’s **Art in Public Places Commission** monthly meetings
- **Attended the Prayer Vigil in remembrance of the death of the 11 Jewish shooting victims in Pittsburgh, City Hall, outdoors**
- Meeting, communicating, and dialoguing with new **Annapolis High School (Acting) Principal Mr. Patrick Gelinias**, regarding several new initiatives that are on the horizon
- **Participated in the Mayor’s “One Block at a Time” in Ward 3 (along with Constituent Services Director Janice Hayes-Williams)—for two, 2 hour blocks of time, visited a variety of Ward 3 businesses, namely, Safeway; in the Gardner Center (Annapolis Opticians; Forest Drive Liquors (Asian owned); Yoga Factory Annapolis; Centra de Ayuda (Center of Help); in the Annapolis Business Suites (Subway (Middle Eastern owned/franchised)); in the Annapolis Design District (Essex Bank; 111 Chinquapin Building: Fitness Together; Architectural Interiors of Annapolis; Star Kitchens; The Tunnel Vision (African-American owned)**
- **On June 25, 2018, the Annapolis City Council, with City Ward 6 Alderwoman Shaneka Henson as the Lead Sponsor, passed Resolution R-24-18: "Equal Protection Task Force - African-American Residents". The purpose of this one-year, 9 person Task Force (and Subcommittee) is to act as an "advisory Task Force...commissioned to address concerns and questions raised about the needs, circumstances, and issues of African-American residents in the City of Annapolis in each of the following areas: 1) transportation, 2) education, 3) communication, 4) economics and finances, 5) social and political concerns, 6) health care, 7) housing; and 8) city services and outreach". And 9) was added, “workforce”. A final report is due to the Council no later than June 30, 2019. Likewise, there is an exactly parallel Task Force, where I was the Lead Sponsor, “Resolution 7-17: Equal Protection Task Force – Foreign-born Residents”.**
- **Attempting and am always open to periodically meeting with various community groups and individuals—my offer remains perpetual**

Highlights of the year 12/4/18-12/3/19—

- Assisted with the **Masonic Lodge’s/Universal Lodge #14 (Clay Street)** financial assistance (large grant) to renovate this very historic landmark on the exterior
- Participated in the national **“Lost Towns” and “Oral History Interviews”** projects
- Continued to advocate—verbally and financially—for the retention of the Anne Arundel County Public Schools’ **Community Ambassadors/Temporary Teacher Assistants**
- Continued to overwhelmingly support the **substance use disorders programs and organizations** (including the County Health Department’s “AA Power” program) within the City
- Assisted with facilitating and/or addressing many issues and concerns within the City’s communities, e.g., **school buses; eviction; utilities shut-offs; City services; curbing; stormwater management issues; water issues; illegally parked vehicles; quality of life; trash pick-ups; signage; illegal property usage; criminal activity; developers’ queries; questions regarding a private school; public safety of our students; foreclosure; mental health resources; potholes; road repairs; vandalism; drug activity; abandoned vehicles; traffic in school zones; loud animals; tree safety; parking; school bus stops; food distribution locations; vandalism; expungements; “foster” child; HOA/condo issues; drainage; tolerance; BGE projects, bills, etc.; makerspace; rain garden; street end parks; nonprofits; crosswalks; traffic light; A/C; student walkers; park safety concerns; scams; City summer camps “out of area”; homeless; community service work; “Old Fourth Ward”; roadway directional signs; memorial bench; street cones; City garage curbs; families in need of food; street closings; abandoned vehicles; dead trees; fire lane parking; possible “too” early morning construction and noise; immediate assistance to a Woodside Gardens parent; stop work order; archived City Hall minutes; medical center patient inquiry; zip code vs. census tract data as it impacts the ability to secure federal grants; fire hydrant replacement; locating free computers; County park; speeding; foot bridge;**

recycle/pick-ups; home sale; land swap; after school activity buses; veterans' housing; community lighting; peace order; Housing Authority of the City of Annapolis (HACA) issues; outdoors grass blowing; community outages; mold; school crossing guards; school bullying; request for traffic studies; sidewalk repairs; etc.

- Co-Facilitated securing the funding for the **traffic signal at West Street and Gibraltar Street**, Ward 3, which has been on the request list for at least 20 years
- Supported and advocated for many of the **City's local businesses**
- Continued to advocate for a **School Resource Officer**, especially at the Wiley H. Bates Middle School
- Participated in the **Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony at the former MAIF Building (1750 Forest Drive)**
- Continued to advocate for the improvement of the **quality of life** for all Ward 3 residents
- Participated in the **Ribbon-Cutting of the new Xfinity Office**, Annapolis
- Review the **Weekly Substance Use Disorder/Opioid Reports—City and County**
- Attended and participated in the **Newtowne Working Together** meetings
- Assisted in organizing the **City-wide Summer Pop-Up Camps for youth, including investigating opportunities for special needs students**
- Attended the **St. John's College** Meet and Greet
- Met with Dr. Samuel Little, **UM School of Social Work**, regarding a possible partnership with the City and their Interns
- Promoted **vehicle wayfaring signs** in Ward 3
- Supported a variety of **grants** for substance use disorders that assists City residents
- Supported the **Urban Land Institute, Technical Assistance Panel (ULI TAP)**
- Started presenting a **“Key to the City”** plaque to our 100 year old and older City residents
- Continued to pursue **trades and apprenticeships opportunities for youth**
- Continued to serve as the Convener for Annapolis' **Street Corner Ministries Coalition (SCMC)**
- Continued to work with communities regarding the City's and County's various **Planning and Zoning plans**
- Involved in discussions regarding the extension of the **Poplar Trail** into other parts of Ward 3
- Continued to pursue various **job and career opportunities, especially for youth**
- Assisted with soliciting possible **City Recreation Advisory Board candidates**
- Assisted with soliciting possible **City Transportation Board candidates**
- Supported the **storm drain stenciling project** in Ward 3
- Continued to support the City's **budget efforts**
- Continued to support the **City's Police Department's scholarship efforts**
- Supported the **City's various processes**, i.e., hiring of new leadership, etc.
- Continued to attend **Annapolis High School's Annual Marine and Maritime Career Expo**
- Supported **public-private partnerships, especially for students/youth, e.g., Chesapeake Region Accessible Boating, Annapolis Waterfront and Sailing Center, etc.**
- Initiated a partnership between AACPS, and the **Annapolis Anne Arundel Financial Education Coalition (AAAFEC, which I co-founded)**
- Was the invited featured speaker at AACPS' **annual Walter S. Mills-Douglas S. King Awards Ceremony**
- The SCMC partnered with **Serenity Sistas, the Arundel Lodge, and others**, in the Faith in Action Community Walk
- Continuing to partner with the **Future of Human Health and Medicine Organization | Future Doctors Organization (FHHMO | FDO)** for the purpose of hosting a Career Fair in Annapolis for area students in May 2020
- Attended and participated in several **substance use disorder/recovery events** in the City
- Assisted with the initial planning of the **Annapolis Civil Rights Project at Annapolis High School** scheduled for June 2020
- Supported the construction of our **new City pool**

- Assisted with and/or supported **“Pick, Pass, and Play” Day initiative**—slightly worn athletic equipment and gear are donated to youth who are unable to make such expensive purchases
- Invited to participate as a Panelist on AACPS’ **Safe Schools Town Hall** meeting
- Assisted the **City’s Pip Moyer Recreation Center** in celebrating their 10 year anniversary (2019)
- Continued to support **various local charities and nonprofits, as well as students’ post-high school pursuits**
- Co-hosting the **7th Job Fair/Hiring Event with Anne Arundel Workforce Development Corporation, Maryland Department of Labor, and the City, May 2020**
- Attended the all-day Workshop **“Visioning Anne Arundel – Making the Best Place”**, Double Tree
- Was very saddened, yet privileged and honored, to be asked to be 1 of only 2 lay/community speakers at the Funeral/Memorial Service for **the late Maryland Speaker of the House Michael E. Busch: “He Was Us!”**
- Continued to **attend various City events and programs**, etc.
- Supported the **Parole Rotary’s book**, written by Joyce Edelson, **“Tales and Tastes of Parole Rotary Club (Annapolis)”** about Annapolis’ Civil War camps, etc.
- Continued to support the **South Forest Drive business association (SoFo)**
- **Currently serving on several AACPS/County/County Mental Health Agency/County Health Department Task Forces—Achievement/Opportunity Gap; Mental Health; Healthy Anne Arundel; Gun Violence Prevention Task Force, Youth-Schools Subcommittee**
- Promoting and assisting with the formation of a **middle school-age students football program**
- Attended the Meet and Greet for our area’s new **Red Cross** Executive Director, Edgewater
- Working with the City toward designating **additional historic landmarks in Ward 3**
- As a component of the SCMC, created **“ONE Caring ANNAPOLIS”**—a weekly 30 minute “time-out” to pray and reflect upon our City
- Continued to support the **Strengthening Families program** in 2 Annapolis schools
- Continued to participate in the annual **4th of July parade**
- Requested to serve as a Panelist on the all-day **Safe Cities Summit** hosted by the City at St. John’s College
- Continued to participate in the annual **National Night Out** City-wide events
- Continued to serve, periodically, as **Acting Mayor**
- Initiated **City Council Citations** for some of our City’s unsung heroes
- Was asked to be one of the guest speakers at the **City’s Adult Summer League Basketball Championship Game**
- Was invited to attend the **City’s FEMA/MEMA Community Assistance visit**
- Assisted with securing vendors for the **Kunta Kinte Heritage Festival**, and attended the Festival
- Gave the Invocation at the **Swearing-In Ceremony for our new City Police Chief**
- Assisted with supporting the new and robust **pre-teens and teens R.E.A.C.H. program (Recreation – Education – Achievement – Community – Health)** at the PMRC
- Assisted (in a variety of ways) with the various **Back-to-School programs and events**—Meet the Brown’s; Moon’s; Allen Apartments; Madison Street Apartments; Eastport and John Wesley U.M. Churches, et al.
- Continued to solicit for the purpose of completely filling the **Community Ambassadors** positions at Annapolis High School
- Actively participated in the **City’s city-wide Active Assailant Exercise**
- Attended Annapolis’ **Firehouse Subs** recognition of our area’s public safety teams
- Assisting with 2 churches who will be receiving **defibrillators** from a local businessman/entrepreneur
- Participated in the first **CEO (Community Engagement Office, Mayor, et al.) Walks, Newtowne 20 and Woodside Gardens communities**
- Attended several **Summer Movie Nights** in the City
- Attended the **County-wide Office of Emergency Management outdoors event**, Marley Station Mall, Glen Burnie (City OEM was a very visible part of this event)
- Started a dialogue with the company that is scheduled to replace **Shopper’s**
- Attended **The Lighthouse’s Pantry Ribbon-Cutting**

- Continued to work with the **Community Health Center at Parole, Inc.**, in ensuring the replacement of their building's chair lift by the Health Department
- Attended the **Smith Price Memorial Service and Burial**
- Was one of the persons asked to speak at the **renaming of the Annapolis Police Department building in honor of former Police Chief Joseph S. Johnson**
- Try to attend as many of the County's various **"Partnership for Children, Youth and Families"** meetings and events
- Attended the **"Blueprint for Maryland's Future" Summit, WSM-PES (Kirwin Commission)**
- Part of the **Mind | Body Strengthening Institute Coalition**—a partnership with the City's Recreation and Parks Department, Anne Arundel Medical Center, Morgan State University, and Dr. David Ward, Professor, that will focus on seniors and their health
- Met with a leader and proponent of **Later School Start Times**
- Met with and continue to communicate with a **candidate for the County's School Board**
- In the process of scheduling a meeting with our region's **AARP Executive Director**
- Continued to attend the **Annapolis and Anne Arundel County Chambers' of Commerce's Annual Legislative Breakfast**
- **Attended the Heritage Pool and Community Association meeting**
- Continued to collaborate with the **SoFo Annapolis (South Forest Drive Business Association)**
- **Read and review daily the APD's Daily Report and routinely request additional information from the APD if any incidents involve Ward 3**
- **On a quarterly basis, visit and meet with the Allen Apartments' Residents Manager, Ward 3 (Latino residents)**
- Attended **Mr. Raynaldo Brown's Annual Youth Christmas Party, Annapolis Gardens**
- Attended the **Annual Maryland Legislative Reception**, hosted by the Mayor and the Maryland Municipal League (MML), Governor Calvert House, Annapolis
- Continued to attend the **Presidents Hill Community Association's Annual Picnic, Ward 1, Annapolis**
- **Meet monthly with the Director of the Annapolis Recreation and Parks Department (ARPD)**
Note: Many of our Mayor's "One Annapolis" initiatives are part of our ARPD's menu of services; and for the past 10 years, ARPD's motto has been: *HEALTHY LIVING STARTS HERE.*"

Significant Legislation, etc., 12/2/13-12/3/19—

- Co-sponsor, R-41-13, **Metered Parking Rate Fee Schedule Revision** for the purpose of assisting downtown businesses during the slow winter months
- Initiated and Lead Co-Sponsor, R-9-14, **Ad Hoc Committee to Study the 2013 Municipal Election and to Make Recommendations**
- Co-Sponsor, O-23-14, **Financial Disclosure** for Employees and Appointed Officials
- Co-Sponsor, R-27-14, Authorizing the **Annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Parade** as an Official City of Annapolis Co-Sponsored Event
- Lead Co-Sponsor, O-7-15, **City Grants to Non-Profit Organizations**
- Voted for, O-47-15, supporting Moderately Priced Dwelling Units (MPDUs) **to include USNA workers on the grounds**
- Co-Sponsor, R-19-15, **Anne Arundel Medical Center's** application for a Certificate of Need from the Maryland Health Care Commission to offer a cardiac surgery program within Annapolis and Anne Arundel County
- Voted for, O-32-15, supporting the construction and operation of a **Renewable Energy Park**—a solar generating facility
- One of three Co-sponsors (along with the Mayor and Ward 1 Alderman Joe Budge) of O-40-15, the revitalization of the downtown City Dock area as it relates to the **Fawcett property, 12/7/15**
- Overwhelmingly voted for, **City Manager Thomas C. Andrews and City Attorney Michael G. Leahy, 10/13/14**

- Voted for, O-41-15, supporting the **Comprehensive Zoning District Map Amendment and Technical Corrections Update**
- Voted for, R-07-16, supporting certain **City Sponsored Special Events** in Fiscal Year 2017
- Voted for, R-15-16, supporting the **Annapolis Business Academy** that will focus on building better business and creating more sustained economic vitality
- Voted for and was very instrumental in its initial authorship, CA-116 and O-12-16, of the **City's Departmental Reorganization**
- Voted for, O-13-16, supporting the City's Operating Budget, which included funding for the hiring of an **African-American Community Services Specialist and a Hispanic Community Services Specialist**, as Co-sponsored by Alderman Littmann and me
- Voted for, O-46-16, supporting the sale of the **Eisenhower Golf Course** to Anne Arundel County
- Co-Sponsor, R-17-16, Emergency Meeting Memorandum of Understanding, for the purpose of approving an **Emergency Meeting Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Annapolis and Anne Arundel County Public Schools** for use of certain County property in the event of an emergency
- Voted for, R-19-16, supporting **Dinner Under the Stars**, authorizing on-street dining in the first block of West Street on Wednesday nights from July 13 through September 21, 2016
- Co-Sponsor, O-21-16, Title 4 **Elections**, for the purpose of amending and updating Chapters 4.28 and 4.44 of the Code of the City of Annapolis concerning absentee voting and fair election practices, and any matters emanating therefrom
- Voted for, O-27-16, supporting **Elections Code Updates**, for the purpose of amending and updating Chapters 4.08; 4.20; 4.24; 4.32; 4.40 and 4.44 of the Code of the City of Annapolis concerning polling places; nominations and candidacy; voting and voting machines; board of canvassers; ballot question procedures; and any matters emanating therefrom
- Voted for, O-22-16, supporting the **City of Annapolis Forest Conservation Act**, for the purpose of prohibiting certain development projects from cutting or clearing certain forests within the City of Annapolis (the "City") unless a forest stand delineation and a forest conservation plan associated with such projects are in effect
- Voted for, O-32-16, supporting the **City's Economic Development Division**, for the purpose of updating the City Code to reflect the dissolution of the Economic Development Corporation and establishing the Economic Development Division
- Voted for, O-36-16, supporting **Elections and Absentee Ballot Applications**, for the purpose of amending Chapter 4.28 of the Code of the City of Annapolis concerning the deadline for filing an application for an absentee ballot
- Voted for, R-31-16, supporting "**Pip and Zastrow**" **Legacy Tablet**, for the purpose of accepting a bequest from **the late Alderman Richard E. Israel** and approving a matching allocation of City funds to be used to purchase and install an outside Tablet in honor of former Mayor Roger W. (Pip) Moyer and Joseph (Zastrow) Simms
- Lead Sponsor and Co-Sponsor with the Mayor, R-33-16, **Landmark Designation of the Community Health Center at Parole**, for the purpose of accepting and approving the recommendation of the Historic Preservation Commission to designate the Community Health Center at Parole, Inc. as a landmark; and matters generally relating to said landmark designation
- Co-Sponsor, O-19-18, 2018 **Zoning Code Updates and Amendments**
- Co-Sponsor, R-47-18, **No Discharge Zone for Annapolis waterways**
- Co-Sponsor, R-44-18, Special Event, **Elks Annual Pre-Labor Day Parade**
- Co-Sponsor, R-32-18, **Anne Arundel Medical Center**, Cardiac Surgery Program, approving AAMC's application for Certificate of Need
- Lead/Sole Sponsor, R-18-18 and R-7-17, **Equal Protection Task Force - Foreign Born Residents**, for the purpose of establishing a temporary advisory Task Force for studying and preparing reports about the issues of foreign born residents
- Co-Sponsor, R-24-18, **Equal Protection Task Force – African-American Residents**, for the purpose of establishing a temporary advisory Task Force for studying and preparing reports about the issues of African-American residents

- Co-Sponsor, R-21-18, **Recognizing and Remembering Racial Injustice** (Lynching)
- Lead Sponsor, O-11-18, **City of Annapolis’ Stanton Community Center Lease with the Anne Arundel Workforce Development Corporation**
- Co-Sponsor, R-11-18, **City of Annapolis, Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan** (amended 2018), as required by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)
- Co-Sponsor, R-3-18, **Prescription Drug Affordability Initiative**
- Voted for, O-32-17, **Moderately Priced Dwelling Unit Amendments**
- Lead Sponsor, O-18-17, **Personal Care Establishments in the PM District (Ward 3)**
- Co-Sponsor, R-14-17, **Recognizing National Women’s History Month**
- Voted for, O-38-16, **Forest Conservation Reforestation**
- Lead Sponsor, **Renaming a portion of three Ward 3 Streets:** R-36-16, Holeclaw Street to “Norwood Brown Lane”; R-37-16, Holeclaw Street to “Hoppy Adams Way”; and R-38-16, Center Street to “Noah Taylor Way”
- Voted for/Co-Sponsor, **Annual Lease Agreements** of City Dock for a variety of events that enhance our City
- Lead Sponsor, **Resolution R-29-19 (extension): Equal Protection Task Force – African American Residents –** For the purpose of providing the Mayor and City Council with a public forum for studying and preparing reports about the issues of African-American residents of the City of Annapolis—namely, transportation; education; communication; economics and finances; social and political concerns; health care; housing; and city services and outreach (and workforce); and a Report is forthcoming
- **Lead Sponsor/Initiated, Resolution R-39-19: “Payment in Lieu of Property Taxes – Towne Courts, LLC – for the construction of affordable housing units to be located in Ward 3**
- **Lead Sponsor/Initiated, Resolution R-27-19: "Forest Drive/Eastport Sector Study Citizens and Governmental Task Force"** – For the purpose of establishing a temporary advisory Task Force commissioned to provide the Mayor and City Council with a public forum for studying and preparing reports about the Forest Drive/Eastport Sector Study; and generally relating to the Task Force; and the City wishes to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding and/or Agreement with Anne Arundel County and the State of Maryland to study shared roadways and to determine the impact of the Forest Drive/Eastport Sector Study on those shared roadways and the citizens of Annapolis.
- **Note: The formation of this Task Force was unprecedented: Creating a governmental multi-jurisdictional Task Force—City, County, State—to cooperatively study traffic, public safety, transportation, etc., on shared roadways, e.g., the intersection of Chinquapin Round Road (City), Forest Drive (County), and Aris T. Allen Boulevard (State); etc.**
- **Lead Sponsor/Initiated, Resolution R-47-19: “Slavery – 1619 – The Beginning of America’s Unforgettable Sin” - 400 years - 2019 (the Mayor and all 8 Councilmembers signed on as co-sponsors)**
- **Co-Sponsor, Charter Amendment CA-5-19: “The Office of Emergency Management Department –** For the purpose of establishing this “Office” as a “Department”
- **Co-Sponsor, Resolution R-11-19: “Annapolis City Dock” – Urban Land Institute, Baltimore Technical Assistance Panel, January 29, 2019, “Reclaiming a Local and National Treasure” –** To be considered in implementing present and future development of the Annapolis City Dock
- **Co-Sponsor, Ordinance O-45-18: “Fair Housing – Unlawful housing practices – Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Holders” –** Definition of “source of income”
- **Co-Sponsor, Resolution R-46-18: “Application of the City of Annapolis Stormwater Regulations” –** Applying more than the minimum stated in our stormwater code

Continued Stellar Ward 3 Representation on our City’s Boards and Commissions—

- **Alcohol Beverage Control Board** (Lawrence L. Harris, Jr., Chair); **Art in Public Places** (Elizabeth W. Ramirez); **City Central Committee** (Norvain T. Sharps, II); **Civil Service Board** (Samuel P. Callahan, Jr., CPA, PhD); **Education Commission** (Enid Collison-Lee, Vice-Chair); **Annapolis Environmental Commission** (Lon L. Powell); **Financial Advisory Commission** (Fred Sussman, Esq., Chair); **Historic Preservation Commission** (Kim

I. Finch); **Planning Commission** (Dr. Eleanor M. Harris, Retired; and Ben Sale, P.E., Vice-Chair); **Recreation Advisory Board** (Catherine Simmons-Jones)

As I continue to become increasingly acclimated to representing you on the City Council, I continue to recognize that this position has 2 distinct components—

- **Making critical legislative and policy decisions on behalf of our City, including co-sponsoring and/or supporting and/or voting for legislation that improves the quality of life for all of our City’s residents; and**
- **Responding, in a timely and efficient and effective manner, to constituent concerns and challenges, including the quality of life issues, and the growth and/or development issues that impact Ward 3—and even those development issues that about Ward 3, but are located**

within the Anne Arundel County limits, and not the City limits—to the west (Parole extended) and to the south (Edgewater)—with invitations to be kept informed as regularly offered and extended by County Councilman (for the Annapolis area) Chris Trumbauer and Lisa B. Rodvien. These areas can include the Annapolis Towne Centre, the Annapolis Harbour Center, Westfield Annapolis Shopping Mall, the Anne Arundel Medical Center, the Knights of Columbus property that will affect the enrollment at the WSM-PES (among other developments and concerns).

From December 2, 2013-December 1, 2014, I attended every City Council meeting (including one that was scheduled on the evening of my 35th wedding anniversary); and I missed only 1 of my City Council Standing Committee meetings and only 1 City Council Work Session. Occasionally, and/or when necessary, I attend the monthly meetings of some of the other 5 City Council Standing Committees.

From December 2, 2014-December 1, 2015, I missed only 2 City Council meetings due to the lengthy and lingering illness and eventual passing of my 90 year old Mother.

From December 2, 2015-December 1, 2016, I missed only 1 City Council meeting (due to the celebration of my grandson’s 1st birthday in Texas—first and only grandchild), and 3 Public Safety Committee meetings (due to 1 Anne Arundel County Public Schools work related meeting which always takes priority, and 2 where I had 2 previously scheduled appointments). There were a total of 62 scheduled City Council meetings, Standing Committee meetings (Public Safety; and Rules and City Government), Work Sessions, and Closed Sessions Meetings.

From December 2, 2016-December 3, 2017, I missed only 2 Council and related meetings—namely, 2 Rules and City Government Standing Committee meetings (I had a pre-scheduled physician’s appointment; and I visited my daughter and her family in Texas). There were a total of 50 meetings for the year.

From December 4, 2017-December 3, 2018, I missed only 1 Council and related meeting—namely, 1 Closed Session on February 12, 2018 (I was sick with a very bad cold). There were a total of 61 meetings for the year.

From December 4, 2018-December 3, 2019, I missed 7 Council and related meetings due to illness. There were a total of 64 meetings for the year.

It is very important that I attend as many of these meetings, events, functions, etc.—most importantly, because this is what my constituents and our City residents expect of me. Additionally, they provide great opportunities to network and to develop valuable relationships and partnerships for a multitude of Ward 3 and City initiatives.

Continuing in the tradition of working full-time—initially, as an Attorney with the Maryland Department of Natural Resources; then as a Prosecutor and supervising attorney in Baltimore City (now retired); then as the Program Manager for the Office of Minority Health for our County Health Department (and supervisor of a staff of professionals of Latino, Asian, and African-American heritage, where we were primarily responsible for getting the health messages out to the Latino, Asian, and African-American communities and residents); and currently as a School-Community Liaison Specialist for our Anne Arundel County Public Schools (having been based for 7 ½ years at an 800 student/90 staff very diverse elementary school in West County 20 miles from Annapolis)—these experiences have definitely given me a unique perspective (and opportunities to weigh in) on the issues that face our City. And being a life-long resident of Parole/Annapolis (65 years) is a definite plus.

Nevertheless, my husband, of almost 41 years, and I continue to manage to take time out of our very busy and hectic schedules to enjoy weekly Date Nights, weeklong anniversary trips to Rehoboth Beach, DE; trips to his home state of (southeast) Texas (15 miles from the Louisiana border—*very Cajun*); as well as enjoying the company and camaraderie of our son, daughter, and grandson, and whenever possible, our many family members, friends, and neighbors.

I continue to look forward to our dialogue on the many issues ahead that face our City as well as matters that are personal to my constituents. And I continue to enjoy serving you on the City Council.

AGAIN: If you believe that I should be doing something that I am not—ways on how I can better serve you—then please feel free to let me know.

And if I left off anything or left out anyone here, or if I misrepresented anything, then please let me know. Truly, it was a mistake of the head and not of the heart.

As we continue to strive to ensure that Ward 3 is and remains a “family-friendly” community, I continue to thank our leadership, as well as our community associations—most of these associations having been in existence and working steadily for roughly a half century. Certainly consistency in service is an accomplishment worth noting and as such, these milestones assist me greatly toward being an effective Alderwoman. **And please do not hesitate to invite me to your community meetings, programs, activities, events, and celebrations. If you have any questions, concerns, comments, suggestions, good news, etc., then please do not hesitate to contact me at any time.** As you can see, my door is always open.

I certainly encourage you to share this letter with your neighbors and fellow Ward 3 residents, and others, in whatever communication method that you desire, including social media. And if you are made aware of the fact that I have missed sending this letter to any residents, then please let me know.

I would be remiss if I did not acknowledge this: I truly believe that the body of work that has been accomplished in Ward 3 is nothing less than astounding, due in large part to the overwhelming turnout of the voters in Ward 3 in 2013 and 2017; and to the extraordinary work of my 4 predecessors—namely, The Honorable: Thomas Norwood Brown; Alderman and Mayor John Thomas Chambers, Jr.; Samuel L. Gilmer; and Dr. Classie Gillis Hoyle (and please continue to keep her in your thoughts and prayers). Rest assured: There is a direct correlation between what has been accomplished, and our leadership and our voter enthusiasm. And I cannot thank all of you enough for exercising that right. Truly and without question, it has made all of the difference in this world. Again, it is a very loving honor and a pleasure to serve you.

Also, I would also be remiss if I did not overwhelmingly thank and be grateful for the love and support of life-long Parole resident MR. LAWRENCE LEONARD HARRIS, JR. Mr. Harris has hugely supported our community for well over 6 decades—seen and unseen; and me personally, especially along my journey as an elected official. I cannot thank him enough—there are not enough words. May God continue to bless him and his family.

And we offer up: Our sympathies to those of you who have lost loved ones; prayers to those who have and are struggling with sickness and illness; as well as joy to those who are enjoying new employment and retirement, and personal as well as family and friends’ successes.

If you would like to, please supply me with your e-mail address, telephone number, or any other contact information. This would definitely help with postage as well as the immediate dissemination of important information.

CC: Especially to our Ward 3 BUSINESSES:

This letter is for you too. Feel free to contact me at any time; and provide me with a link to your website or any other information. Considering joining the Annapolis Partnership and/or (re)establishing a Ward 3 Business Association? Just a thought... Let me know. I can help.

And I would like to take this opportunity now to say: As we begin to reflect upon and to acknowledge, during this year, the various holidays that we will be celebrating, let us all hope for an abundance of health, joy, peace, and love that will begin within each and every one of us and then permeates, embraces, and encircles our globe.

Thank you again for your overwhelming support, as well as the trust and faith that you have placed in me to be your “servant leader”.

And God Bless You All.

Sincerely,

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**cc: Ward 3 Businesses
Attachment – Resume**

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CAREER (16 full-time and part-time positions)

- December 2, 2013-present; **AND** December 4, 2017-present
*Annapolis City Councilwoman/Alderwoman, Ward 3; **AND** Chair, City Council’s Public Safety Standing Committee—Police; Fire (including paramedics/EMS); and the Office of Emergency Management; **AND** City Council rep., County’s Gun Violence Prevention Task Force, Youth-Schools Subcommittee, May 2019-present*
December 2, 2013-present: Acting Mayor: Serve periodically; **AND January 28-February 13, 2020 (17 days)**
- January 18, 2006-present, full-time
*January 2006-June 2012; **and** *June 2012-December 2019; **and** *December 2019-present
*Anne Arundel County Public Schools (AACPS), School-Community Liaison Specialist:
*Central Office (including, but not limited to, having served as Producer for 2 AACPS-TV programs; naming the “Parent Link” (newsletter) and “tag”; and naming the “tag” for the “Parent Connection” TV program); **and**
*Frank Hebron-Harman Elementary School, 800 students, 90 staff (and housed and assisted in the “Learning Lab”); **and** *Central Office (Office of Equity and Accelerated Student Achievement)*
- October 2004-October 2005
Anne Arundel County Department of Health (DOH), Program Manager, Office of Minority Health (supervised a very diverse staff of 5—Latino, Asian, and African-American— responsible for disseminating health information to communities; reviewed grant applications, and awarded and monitored grants; while overseeing a small budget)
- December 1983-August 2004 (retired)
Assistant State’s Attorney, Baltimore City (SAO) (including supervising attorneys and support staff for 18 ½ of these 20 ½ years; prosecuted juvenile courts cases, and physical child abuse and companion domestic violence cases; Speech Writer for the State’s Attorney; and regularly trained police officers at the Police Academy)
- 1983 (part-time)
City of Baltimore, Hearing Officer: Vehicle impoundments; and Water and Sewer charges
- August 1979-December 1983
Attorney General’s Office, Maryland Department of Natural Resources, Attorney (assigned to the Forest and Park Services Administration—traveling throughout the State—from far western Garrett County (and West Virginia), to Cecil County, to the Upper and Lower Eastern Shore (Ocean City), to Southern MD, and our metropolitan areas
- Fall 1978 and Spring 1979
Fall 1978: State of Maryland, Office of the Public Defender, Anne Arundel County, Annapolis Office—Asper Fellow (unpaid/volunteer); and Spring 1979: Legal Intern (paid/compensated)
- Summers 1978, 1977, 1976, 1975
Maryland National Bank (now Bank of America), Church Circle, Annapolis, Teller
- School year, 1974-1975
Morgan State University (MSU), School of Business, College Teaching Assistant, worked directly for Professor Frank Turner (a long-time Maryland State Legislator representing Howard County, recently retired)
- Summer 1974
Sears, Parole Plaza (now site of the Parole Towne Centre), Annapolis, Price Changer and Accounting Clerk
- Summer 1973
United Blastcleaning Company, Inc. (maritime industry), Lee Street, Annapolis (out of business), Secretary/Receptionist
- November 1972-February 1973
Montgomery Ward (out of business), “Buffeteria” (Buffet Cafeteria), Annapolis Mall, Busboy/Dishwasher
- 1970-1990
Mount Olive A.M.E. Church, Annapolis, Church Bulletin Clerk, and Events Marketing Materials Preparer
- Junior High School and Senior High School (June 1966-August 1972)
~Pindell and Pindell Contractors, Secretary/Receptionist/Payroll Clerk (Father, Uncle, and Cousin)

~Gwendolyn Queen Pindell, At-Home Teacher Assistant, AACPS High School Algebra Teacher (Mother)
~Anne Arundel General Hospital (now Anne Arundel Medical Center), Candy-striper, Children's Unit (Volunteer)

EDUCATION

- University of Maryland School of Law (UM), J.D., 1976-1979
- Morgan State University, B.S., 1972-1976, Major: Business Administration, General (minor-Economics)
- Annapolis High School, 1969-1972, Academic curriculum (and member of the Basketball and Softball Teams, "pre-Title 9")
- Annapolis Junior High School, 1966-1969 (1965-1969, member of the AJHS Orchestra, viola)
- Parole Elementary School (now the Walter S. Mills-Parole Elementary School), 1960-1966, "Valedictorian"

EDUCATIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS (partial listing)

- 1980 – Member, Maryland Bar
- 1983 – Admitted to the U.S. District Court and the U.S. Supreme Court
- 1979 – Sole Student Member, Faculty Appointments Committee, UM School of Law
- 1976 – Sole recipient of the "1976 Outstanding Achievement in Business Administration Award", MSU

PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS (partial listing)

- Received Maryland State Department of Education recognition and award for an award-winning and innovative parent involvement program, "*FamilyHood Scores!*", AACPS, 2006-2007 (along with the able assistance of the newly created Community Ambassadors staff based at Annapolis High School, 2006-2007)
- Lead Office and lauded for the "sold-out" highly touted Immigration Forum, Anne Arundel County DOH, 2005
- Trained and Supervised new Prosecutors in the SAO—12 of whom have since been elevated to judgeships at every level of the Maryland State judiciary—from the District Court to the Circuit Court to the Maryland Court of Special Appeals to the Maryland Court of Appeals; as well as 2 who were elected as County State's Attorneys in Maryland:
- The Honorable: Shirley M. Watts, Court of Appeals; Michael Reed, Court of Special Appeals; Emanuel Brown, Videtta Brown, Althea Handy, Jeanne Hong, Cynthia Jones, Lynn Stewart-Mays, and Rodney Warren, Circuit Court; and Robert Cooper, James H. Green, and Melvin Jews, District Court; and State's Attorneys Anne Colt Leitess (Anne Arundel County) and J. Charles Smith (Frederick County)
- On two separate occasions, was selected by the State's Attorney to host and to present to a legal delegation from China and to a legal delegation from Russia
- For example, as the Deputy Division Chief for the Juvenile Courts Division, was directly responsible for reviewing applications, interviewing, hiring, training, and supervising 20 attorneys, 15 support staff (over time, hundreds of staff)—this Division handling over 30,000 hearings per year, i.e., served as the day-to-day "Operations Manager"

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT (partial listing)

- Appointed by the Governor to serve on the Judicial Appointments Commission for Anne Arundel County, 2008-2013 (resigned due to my election to the City Council)
- Served on the City of Annapolis Board of Appeals, 1988-1991
- Served on several City of Annapolis bipartisan mayoral (Democratic and Republican Mayors) transition teams, 1980's, 1990's, 2000's
- Served on the State Highway Contract Task Force for the Aris T. Allen Boulevard, Annapolis, 1980's/1990's
- Member, Community Health Center at Parole, Inc., Annapolis (former Officer, resigned as an Officer due to my election to the City Council), over 35 years
- Member, Greater Parole Community Association, Inc. (formerly, Community Association of Parole, and formerly, Parole Improvement Association, since 1951) (former Officer, resigned as an Officer due to my election to the City Council), over 20 years
- Founder, Parole Elementary School Alumni and Friends Association, 1983 (the only such organization that exists)
- Member, Mount Olive A.M.E. Church, Annapolis (former Church School Teacher and Treasurer; Teams' Scorekeeper/Statistician, Men's Club's Youth Athletics Program; among many other positions held), Life-long member
- Friend, St. Philip's Episcopal Church, Ad Hoc Consultant to the Finance Committee, Advisor to the Rector, and Advisor to various organizations/members, 2007-present
- Strategic Event Planner/Coordinator, Speaker, Moderator, Facilitator, Panelist, for various events/organizations