



Richmond City Council

The Voice of the People

Richmond, Virginia

COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

bestowed upon

Monica S. Rumsey

President, Friends of Forest Hill Park

Richmond City Council does hereby recognize and honor Monica S. Ramsey for her many years of leadership of the Friends of Forest Hill Park.

A champion of the preservation, protection and promotion of Forest Hill Park in south Richmond for more than 10 years, Mrs. Rumsey has served our community as an organizer and leader of the Friends of Forest Hill Park organization and as an active and vital member of the Richmond Recreation and Parks Foundation.

As a testament to her tireless efforts, Mrs. Rumsey's long list of accomplishments include the publication of *An Illustrated History of Forest Hill Park*; the reprinting of the 1891 brochure *Woodland Heights, Virginia* (Friends of Forest Hill Park Commemorative Edition); the listing of Forest Hill Park on the Virginia Landmarks Register and the National Register of Historic Places; the installation of a Virginia highway marker; the re-creation of the historic park entrance sign; and, the organization of countless educational events on the nature and history of the park.

Mrs. Rumsey's service and commitment to our community has helped to preserve important park elements and increased the awareness of its unique character and historical significance. Her efforts have helped the park live on as one of our City's most popular and beloved green-spaces south of the James River.

Richmond City Council does therefore bestow the Community Service Award on Monica S. Ramsey in recognition of her service as she concludes many years at the helm of the Friends of Forest Hill Park and brings this to the attention of all our grateful citizens.

Given under my hand and presented this 9th day of February, two thousand nine, in the two hundred twenty-seventh year of the City of Richmond, in the two hundred thirty-third year of the Commonwealth of Virginia in the United States of America.

The Honorable Kathy Graziano
President, Richmond City Council
Councilwoman, Southwest 4th District