



RICHMOND CITY COUNCIL AND MAYOR DWIGHT C. JONES

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

OFFICIAL JOINT PROCLAMATION

The Honorable Members of Richmond City Council and the Mayor of Richmond do hereby jointly proclaim

Richmond Recycling Awareness Day November 15, 2010

Whereas, The Honorable Members of Richmond City Council, the governing body of Richmond, and The Honorable Dwight C. Jones, Mayor of Richmond, do hereby unite in solidarity and common purpose to declare their leadership and support for recycling; and

Whereas, Recycling used materials that would normally just be dumped into a landfill helps make our community, state and nation more healthy, safe and clean; and

Whereas, Our individual and community efforts to reuse, reduce and recycle help fight air, water and ground pollution; and

Whereas, Recycling slows deforestation; reduces the waste of land needed to bury trash; drives innovation for new technologies and products; creates new jobs; protects our limited natural resources; and, helps care for the health of our children and environment; and

Whereas, The citizens of Richmond supported the establishment of a regional public service recycling authority to provide efficient and effective recycling solutions for our community; and

Whereas, The Central Virginia Waste Management Authority was formed in December of 1990 to provide recycling services and is governed by 13 local Richmond-area communities; and

Whereas, In February 1991, Richmond City Council established a Richmond Curbside Recycling Program on behalf of the citizens of Richmond, which now includes 60,500 eligible households; and

Whereas, Richmond's household curbside recycling program provides a way to recycle such things as newspapers, magazines, junk mail, cardboard, aluminum, plastic, steel and glass; and

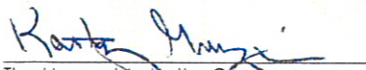
Whereas, In Fiscal Year 2010 Richmonders used the curbside program (6,539 tons) and drop-off program (643.77 tons) to recycle 7,182.77 tons of reusable resources and that would have ended up in landfills; and

Whereas, Since 2003 citizens have used the Richmond Yard Waste Recycling Program to recycle more than 330,000 tons of yard waste and wood and since 2005 have used the Richmond Electronic Recycling Program to recycle 55.5 tons of machines; and

Whereas, There is a great opportunity to increase Richmond's Curbside Recycling Program participation rate that is estimated to be 38 percent;

Now, Therefore, In order to honor, support and celebrate recycling, Richmond City Council and Mayor Dwight C. Jones do hereby proclaim November 15, 2010 as **Richmond Recycling Awareness Day**; thank all citizens for their continued efforts to reduce, reuse and recycle; and, encourage every family to participate in all of Richmond's recycling programs.

In Witness Whereof, we have hereunto given under our hands and presented this 8th Day of November, two thousand ten of the Common Era, in the two hundred twenty-ninth year of the City of Richmond, in the two hundred thirty-fifth year of the Commonwealth of Virginia and United States of America.


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



Richmond City Council


The Honorable Dwight C. Jones
Mayor
City of Richmond



Richmond Office of the Mayor
The Hon. DWIGHT C. JONES