

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Rockville, Maryland

January 10, 2012

MEMORANDUM

To: Members of the Board of Education
From: Shirley Brandman, President
Subject: In Appreciation of Mr. Roscoe R. Nix

WHEREAS, On January 4, 2012, Mr. Roscoe R. Nix, civil rights leader and member of the Montgomery County Board of Education from 1974 to 1978, passed away; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Nix served as Director of the Maryland Human Relations Commission and President of the Montgomery County Maryland Branch of the NAACP (1980-1990) and was the co-founder of the Montgomery County African American Festival of Academic Excellence, which recognizes, encourages, and celebrates African American students; and

WHEREAS, In 1997, Mr. Nix received a Distinguished Service Award from the Board of Education, and in 2006, Roscoe R. Nix Elementary School was named in his honor; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Nix spent his entire adult life working for educational and social equality for all and his work has improved the lives of countless people in Montgomery County and throughout the region and the nation; and

WHEREAS, As Director of the Maryland Human Relations Commission, a member of the Board of Education, the president of the Montgomery County Maryland Branch of the NAACP and a nationally renowned civil rights leader, Mr. Nix was an agent of change and leader in every sense of the word; now therefore be it

Resolved, That on behalf of the staff, students, and citizens of Montgomery County Public Schools, the Board of Education extends its condolences to Mr. Nix's family on his passing; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the family of Mr. Nix.