

Special Subcommittee on the 50th Anniversary of Public School Closings in Virginia



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Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Commission Brown v. Board of Education Scholarship Committee

TOWN HALL MEETING

Massive Resistance: Learning from the Past, Living the Present, Taking Responsibility for the Future

Kenmore Middle School
200 South Carlin Springs Road
Arlington, Virginia

Tuesday, May 17, 2011
2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Mr. Christian Dorsey, *Moderator*

1. **Call to order**—The Honorable Henry L. Marsh, III, *Chairman*
2. **National Anthem**—Kenmore Middle School Band
3. **Welcome**
 - The Honorable James Moran, 8th Congressional District of Virginia, U.S. House of Representatives
 - The Honorable Christopher Zimmerman, Chairman, Arlington County Board of Supervisors
 - The Honorable Libby Garvey, Chairman of the Arlington County School Board
4. **Purpose of the Town Hall and Introduction of Moderator**—*Chairman Marsh*
5. WSB-TV Newsfilm Clip, February 7, 1959, Arlington County and Norfolk School Desegregation (*Source: The Civil Rights Digital Library and Walter J. Brown Media Archives and Peabody Award Collection, The University of Georgia Libraries, Athens, GA*)
6. **Town Hall Rules**—Mr. Christian Dorsey, *Moderator*
7. **Invited Speakers:**
 - Mr. Joseph Macekura, Guidance Counselor at Startford Junior High School, 1959
 - Mrs. Sandra Green, APS former student and Retired Arlington County Employee and Community Activist
 - Mr. C. Thomas Webber, Retired Stratford Junior High School Principal and Assistant Superintendent of Facilities
 - Mr. William Vollins, Retired School Teacher and Elementary School Principal
 - Dr. Talmadge William, Former Chairman, Arlington NAACP
 - Rev. Dr. James E. Victor, Jr., Pastor, Mt Olive Baptist Church; Chair of the Arlington African American Pastors; and member of African American Leadership Counsel
8. **Public Comment and Dialogue** (*includes pre-registered and other speakers, and attendees*)
9. **Recognition:** Gloria Thompson, Michael Jones, Lance Newman, and Ron Deskins, former students who desegregated the Arlington Public Schools on February 2, 1959
10. **Closing Remarks**—*Chairman Marsh*
11. **Adjournment**

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