



National Association for the Advancement of Colored People

DeKalb County Georgia Branch

63rd Annual Freedom Awards Gala

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Dear Mr. Forrest Tuff,

Congratulations! It is our pleasure to inform you that Mr. Forrest Tuff has been selected as a Nominee for the **Thurgood Marshall Award**. As a Nominee, your work has been selected as one of the five individual family, business, or non-profit community or service organization who has demonstrated or promoted exceptional service, dedication, leadership or initiative and has promoted human welfare and social reform through the National, State, and/or justice or legislative system. And whose efforts have had a significant impact on the DeKalb County community.

The DeKalb Branch of the NAACP has been faithfully serving the community for 64 years with the mission of advocating for political, educational, social, and economic equality for all citizens, as well as eradicating racial injustice. NAACP DeKalb County Branch is honored to recognize the significant contributions of leaders like yourself who represent our diverse DeKalb County population.

This year's Awards Gala happens at a watershed moment in our history where civil rights we once considered permanent, are under attack like never before. The NAACP DeKalb County Branch intends to organize, strategize and mobilize our members to defeat the hate and the Awards Gala will be the gathering place for energizing our efforts.

We invite you and a guest to join us for a wonderful evening celebrating community, culture, service, and leadership at our 63rd Annual Freedom Fund Awards Gala on Saturday, November 2, 2019 at Courtyard Atlanta Decatur Downtown/Emory, 130 Clairemont Avenue, Decatur, GA 30030. This year's theme is "The Promise to America is Not the Same Promise to Us".

We hope you will be able to personally attend this black-tie affair, a throwback to the Harlem Renaissance era, as you will enjoy the President's VIP Nominee and Sponsor Reception that will begin at 5:30 p.m. and the Awards Gala compliments of NAACP DeKalb County Branch!! Please forward a one-page biography with a photo and acknowledge receipt of this honor by contacting us at (404) 241-8006 or information@naacpdekalbga.org

Again, **CONGRATULATIONS** and we look forward to seeing you on November 2nd.

Serving you in DeKalb County,

Teresa Hardy, President