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THE DR. MACK HENRY JONES
DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

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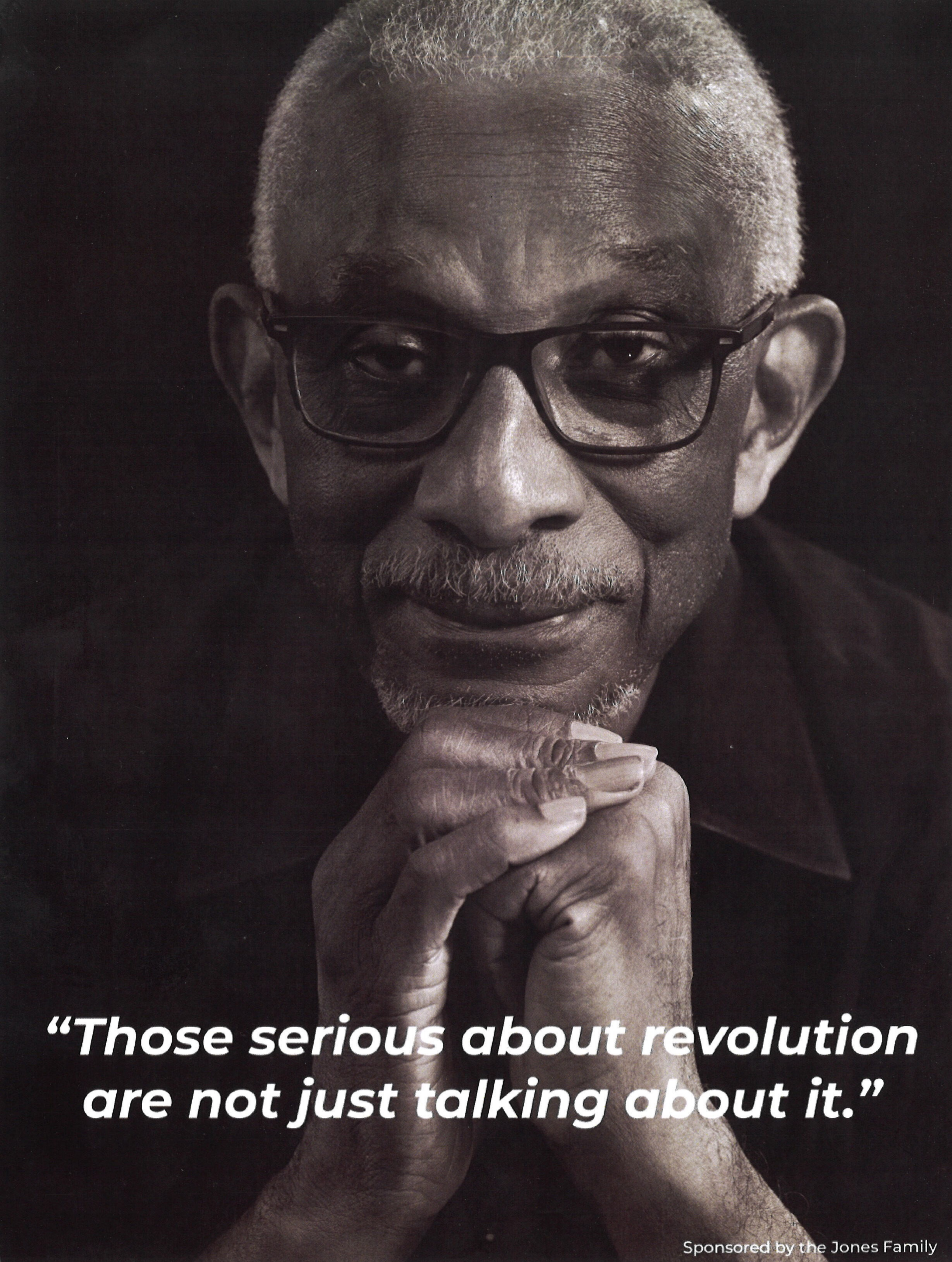
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***“Those serious about revolution
are not just talking about it.”***

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OPENING REMARKS

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GREETINGS

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INVITED REMARKS

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PRESIDENTS – NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF BLACK POLITICAL SCIENTISTS

MR. FRED PARHAM, PRESIDENT, UJAMAA SOCIETY

MS. JAISES ELAM, POLITICAL SCIENCE GRADUATING CLASS OF 2023

HONOREE REMARKS

DR. MACK HENRY JONES

REMARKS FROM THE FLOOR

OPEN TO GUEST

CLOSING REMARKS

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MACK HENRY JONES

Mack Henry Jones, Ph.D., Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Political Science, Clark Atlanta University, served over six decades of his professional career as a political scientist. Through teaching, mentoring, research, and service, he has had an indelible influence on the political science discipline and thousands of colleagues and students. His founding and development of a unique doctoral program, focusing on a scholar-activist model of the global struggles of people of color, especially of African descent, continues to train future political scientists. Mack is one of the founders and the first President of the National Conference of Black Political Scientists.

The fourth child of ten children, Mack and his siblings were raised in a loving family with parents who instilled a strong sense of identity, racial pride, and educational achievement. Mack's leadership skills and activist proclivity are directly attributed to the lessons gleaned from his father's fearless challenges to the injustices he faced in a segregated South and his mother's lessons about the value of education. Rev. Clifton Jones, a laborer, AME minister, and union organizer, integrated the labor movement in Oakdale and is described by Mack as "a race man and the reason why "all my life I was interested in giving white people a hard time." Educated in the Oakdale segregated public school system, Mack and all his siblings obtained high school diplomas and advanced degrees.

After completing high school, Mack served in the U.S. Army from 1954-1957. In 1958, he entered Southern University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, with a desire to major in journalism, but the major did not exist. Political Science was his second choice. His dream to be a journalist was not achieved, but his desire to write was realized as a political scientist. It was at Southern where Mack was introduced to and mentored by young, Black political scientists, including Jewel Limar Prestage, Rodney Higgins (Department Chair), Twiley Barker and Adolph Reed, Sr. After entering Southern, Mack's activism grew; he led students in sit-in demonstrations, challenging segregated facilities in Baton Rouge. Two years later, Mack's activism resulted in his expulsion and prohibition from any state institutions of higher learning. With the assistance of his Southern professors, Mack entered Texas Southern University and in 1962, earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science. Following in the footsteps of his mentors, Twiley and Lucius Barker and others, he entered the University of Illinois-Urbana, earning the Master of Arts (1964) and Doctor of Philosophy (1968), respectively.



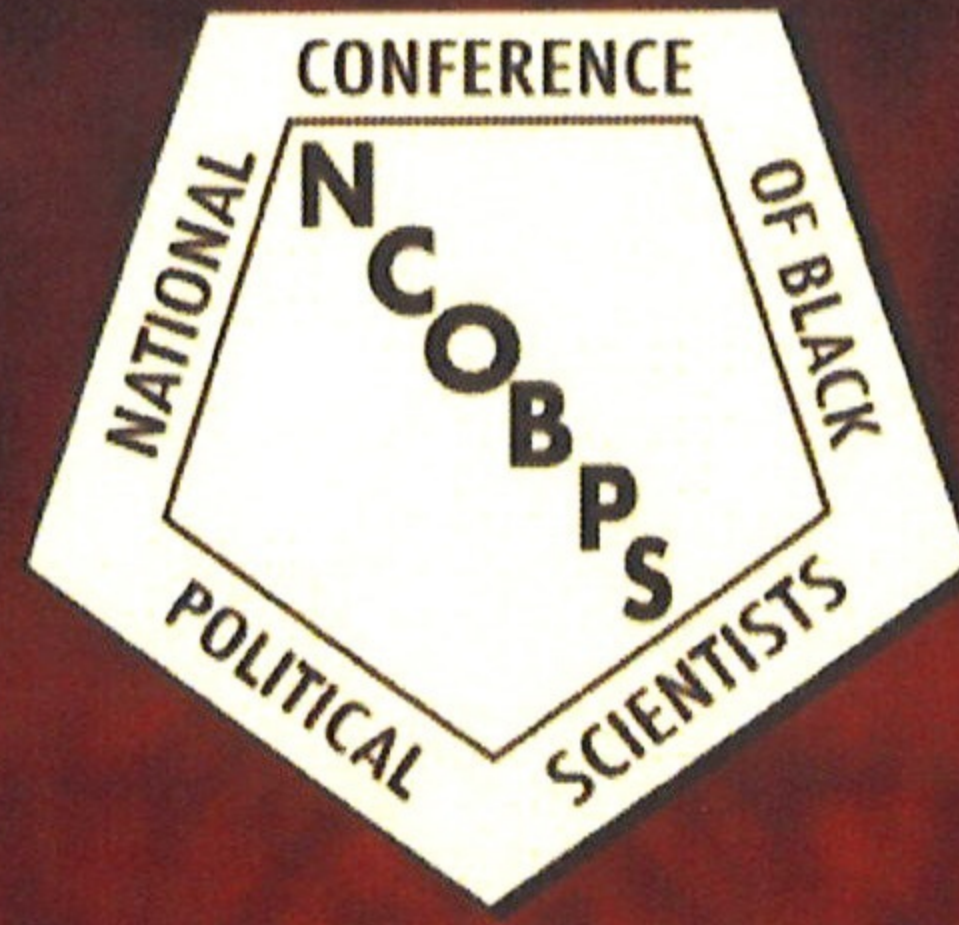


MACK HENRY JONES

Mack Henry Jones spent over 40 years as a distinguished professor of Political Science, teaching and lecturing to thousands of graduate and undergraduate students at over 65 institutions of higher education throughout the United States and as a Fulbright Scholar at Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria, Nigeria. However, it was his service at seven Historically Black Colleges and Universities (Texas Southern, Atlanta University, Southern University, Howard University, Prairie View A & M University, Clark Atlanta University, and Mississippi Valley State University) that anchored his career. It was within these institutions that he developed his scholarship and leadership roles in the development of black political science and in the praxis of black politics. He played a critical role in the founding of the National Conference of Black Political Scientists and served as its first President. His inaugural address, "The Responsibility of the Black Political Scientists to the Black Community" was a marching order to NCOBPS members and future black political scientists to not only be learners of political science theories but also to be fully engaged as advocates for social justice and political change within the community. The hallmark of Mack's contribution to the discipline and his sustaining legacy is as founder and chair of the doctoral program in Political Science at Atlanta/Clark Atlanta University. His contributions at Atlanta University were aided immensely by the support of Dr. Samuel DuBois Cook who was then a program officer at the Ford Foundation. Mack played a key role in educating and socializing a major cadre of black political scientists who in turn have taught his distinctive model of scholar-activism to thousands of students at institutions of higher learning throughout the world. A prolific scholar and writer, Mack has chronicled his research and provided a guide for future black political scientists in an arsenal of publications including *African American and the American Political System* (4th edition) and *Knowledge, Power, and Black Politics*, a collection of his essays tracing the emergence, evolution, and maturation of the study of Black politics. He has also published in numerous scholarly journals, magazines, and newspapers. As a scholar-activist, Mack has applied his political acumen to training newly elected black officials in the South and grassroots organizers. He also served as Director of the Delta Research and Cultural Institute at Mississippi Valley State University, Itta Bena, Mississippi.

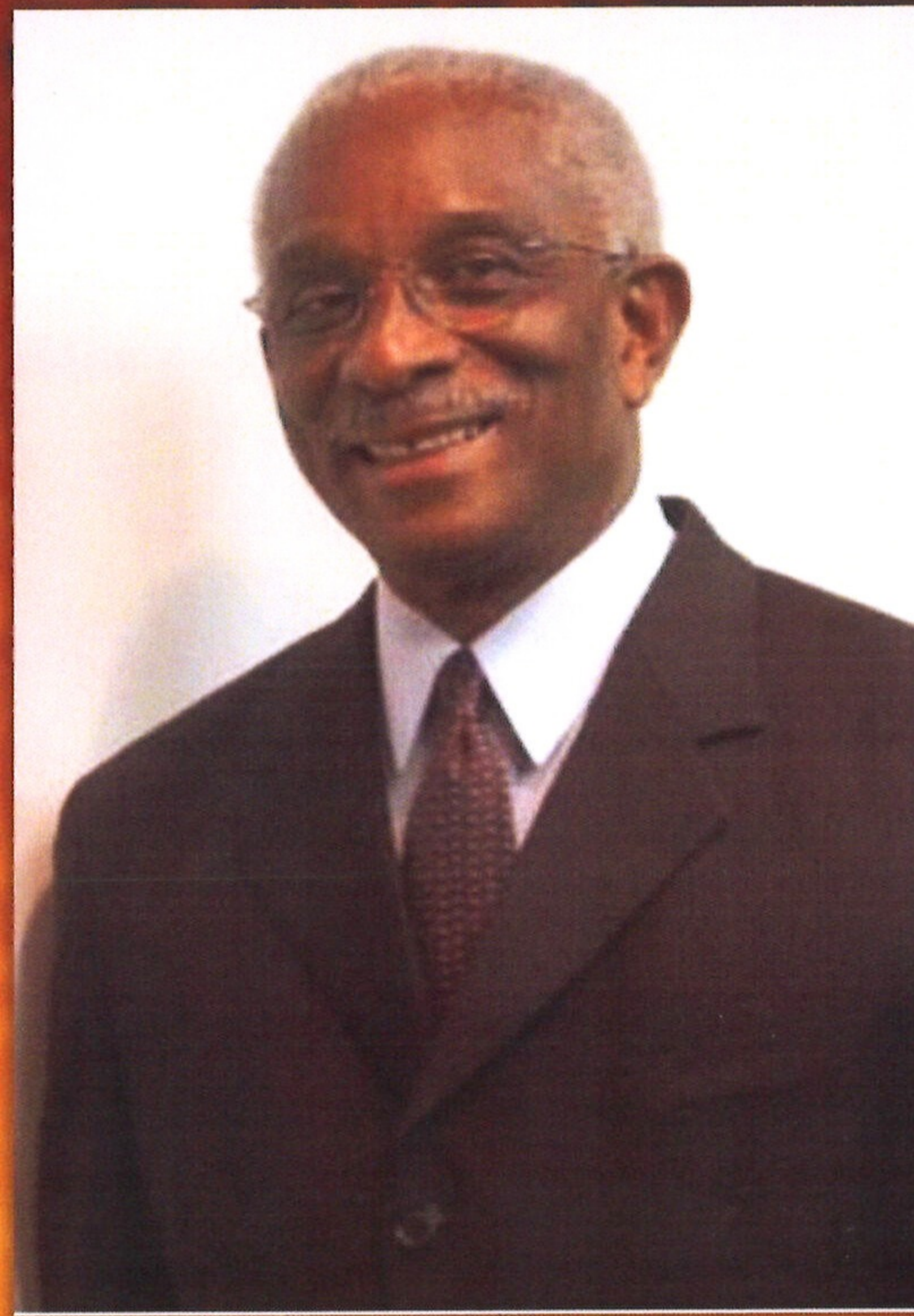
Mack Henry Jones' greatest life achievements are his marriage to Dr. Barbara Posey Jones and his five children: Maxine Kennedy, Marcia Arp, Patrice Lumumba Jones, Tayari Jones and Bomani Jones.





We Past Presidents of NCOBPS pay honor and give tribute to our beloved
1st NCOBPS President

Leslie Burl McLemore
Elsie L. Scott
Shelby F. Lewis
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Paula L. McClain
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Dr. Mack Jones

**We thank you for the rich and wonderful legacy of
leadership, activism, scholarship, and mentorship you gifted us.**

We dearly love you Brother Mack!

Clark Atlanta
University

Department of Political
Science Faculty

THANK YOU, DR. MACK H. JONES!

- A *Thought-Leader*, who inspired a new understanding of the Black political experience;
- A *Visionary*, who helped establish NCOBPS as an institutional haven for black voices in political science; and
- Our *Founding Chair*, who set the standard of excellence for the graduate program in the Department of Political Science at Clark Atlanta University.

We Salute You!!!

Kurt B. Young, Chair * William Boone * Hashim Gibrill * Tammy Greer

Nathaniel Jackson * Keith Jennings * Lee Jones * Teri Platt

Maziki Thame * Alwyn Westfield * Noel Whelchel

THANK YOU!!!

BABA MACK H. JONES

FROM YOUR LAST GENERATION OF STUDENTS:

Dr. Kwesi Densu

*Patchin: Toward a Theory and Political History of
Africana Agrarianism*
Chair: Hashim Gibrill

Dr. Teri Platt

*An Attitudinal Case Study of Blacks in the
Eastern Region of Texas*
Chair: William H. Boone

Kelly Harris

*International Finance Capital and African
Development: 1980-2001*
Chair: Hashim Gibrill

Dr. Carlton A. Usher

*An Analysis of Hip-Hop Culture as a
Political Instrument*
Chair: Mack H. Jones

Dr. Joseph L. Jones

*Hegemonic Rhythms: The Role of Hip-Hop Music in
21st century American Public Diplomacy*
Chair: Robert DeJanes

Dr. Carmen V. Walker

*An Analysis of the National Association of
Colored Women's Clubs: 1896-1935*
Chair: William H. Boone

Dr. Lee C. Jones

*The Cold War and Conflict in Angola & Ethiopia 1975-
1991: A World System Theory Comparison*
Chair: F.S.J. Ledgister

Dr. Kurt B. Young

*Pan-African Nationalism in the Post-Cold War Era:
A Grassroots-based Analysis of the State of Pan-Africanism*
Chair: Mack H. Jones

Dr. Terza Lima-Neves

*Sodade: Diasporic Cape Verdeans and
Development in their Homeland*
Chair: F.S.J. Ledgister

Dr. Afia Zakiya

*An African Centered Critique of European Global Envi-
ronment and Development Cultural Politics:
A Political Ecology Case Study of Madagasikara*
Chair: Hashim Gibrill

With your scholarship, institution-building, mentoring and friendship, you have led the way. Through the Department of Political Science and its faculty, you made clear the responsibility of Black political scientists. Drawing from our experience in the Department, we remain committed to fulfilling that mission and will continue to honor you and your legacy.

"Discipline is the sinew of struggle"



TEXAS SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY

Barbara Jordan – Mickey Leland

School of Public Affairs

Department of Political Science

DR. MICHAEL O. ADAMS, INTERIM CHAIR

Congratulates **MACK HENRY JONES**



for his contributions to the field of
Political Science.

Thank you for your
impartation of knowledge
into so many young minds
to push the status quo and
think greater than what is seen.

Thank you, Dr. Jones

Congratulations!
and Special Thanks to...

Dr. Mack Henry Jones



Dr. Jewel Limar Prestage Dr. Mack Henry Jones

Leader, Teacher, and Mentor
NCOBPS Founder and 1st President

Special thanks for the lessons learned and the doors opened.
We are your enduring legacy in communities throughout
the world!!!

Gloria J. Braxton, Ph.D.
Class Of '78
Atlanta University

Shiela F. Harmon, Ph.D.
Class Of '96
Clark Atlanta University

TO DR. MACK H. JONES

WORDS CANNOT EXPRESS THE
IMPACT YOU HAVE HAD ON OUR
LIVES



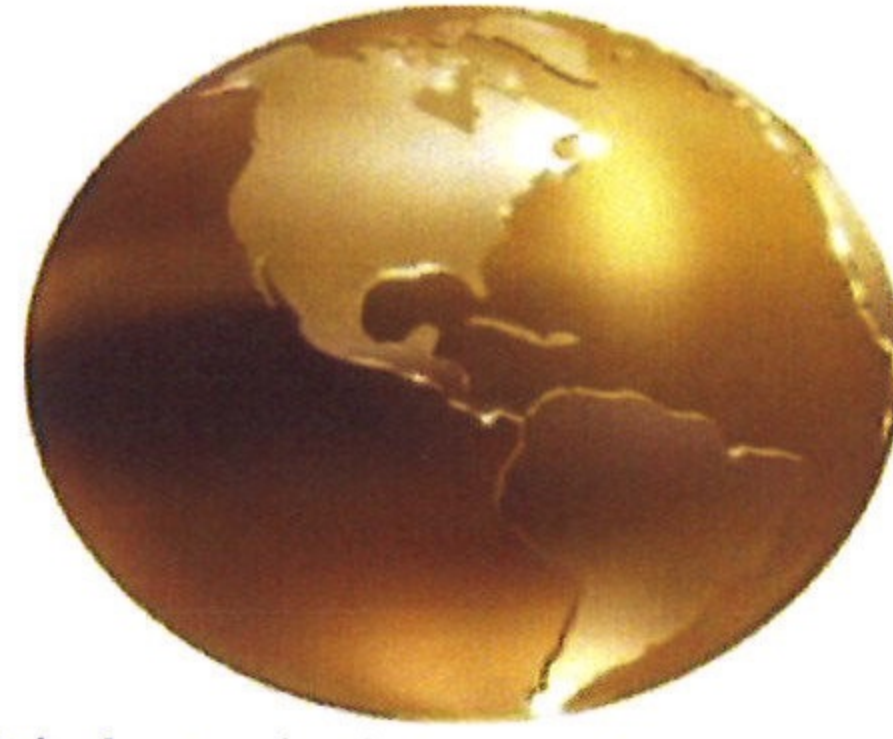
Dr. Elsie L. Scott & Dr. Joseph Pete Silver

Your Summer 1980 Ph.D. Graduates

Dr. Mack Jones

To a phenomenal professor and committed intellectual. Your epistemological rigor while I was your student at Prairie View A&M University prepared me for graduate school and beyond. Thank you for your contributions to the development of black political science, HBCU's, and students like me who were intrigued by the challenge of your brilliance.

With deep appreciation,
Maya Rockey Moore Cummings, Ph.D.



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*"Don't Point To The Heights You Want Your Children To Scale,
Start Climbing And They Will Follow"*

George Johnson

The Silver & Associates Team
Salutes Dr. Mack Henry Jones

We Stand On Your Shoulders!!

Joseph H. Silver, Sr. President (1976 & 1980)

Rosalyn S. Silver, Senior Advisor

TO MACK,

***THANK YOU FOR
SHOWING US
ELOQUENTLY AND
ELEGANTLY THAT
ETHICS AND
AMBITION SHOULD
AND CAN EMBRACE
AND UPLIFT EACH
OTHER.***

***From your student and friend,
Marva Johnson***

PARABĒNS *Ekele* VEELS GELUK

Zabwino Taya murna

Oriire

Hambalyo PONGEZI

Siyakuhalalisela

FELISITASYON

CONGRATULATIONS!

Dr. Mack Henry Jones

from

Dr. Evelyn A. Ellis & Sam Christy

Ocala, Florida

HOWARD UNIVERSITY
DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

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Dr. Mack Henry Jones

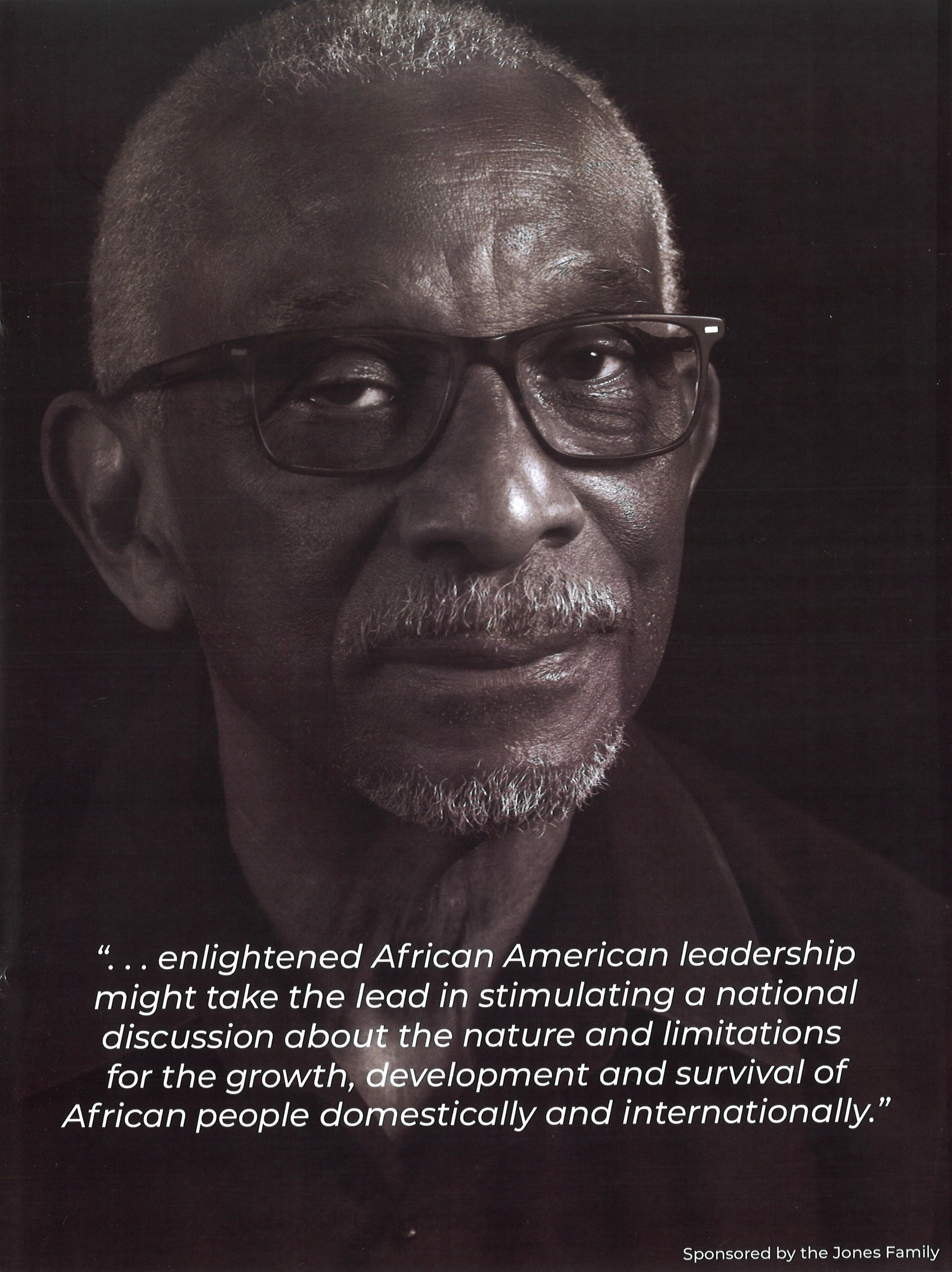
Scholar, Professor, Mentor

- Active scholarly role in developing the field of Black Politics in political science
- Pioneering leadership as the 1st president of the National Conference of Black Political Scientists
- The vision behind the creation of Ph.D. in political science at Clark Atlanta University
- Architect of the enduring responsibility Black political scientists have to the Black community



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Founded 'at the intersection of scholarship and activism' in 1867 by Dr. Ralph Bunche, the Department of Political Science at Howard University today is home to the second largest undergraduate program with nearly 700 majors, features 16 world-class full-time faculty, and offers a Master's and Ph.D. in political science, including a specialization in Black politics. Visit politicalscience.howard.edu



“... enlightened African American leadership might take the lead in stimulating a national discussion about the nature and limitations for the growth, development and survival of African people domestically and internationally.”

*to our teacher,
mentor, and
friend.*

DR. CLAUDE BARNES, DR. RICKY HILL, MR. FREDERICK
HUTCHINSON, DRS. DOLLY AND DWIGHT MULLEN,
DR. JAMES DANIEL STEELE!

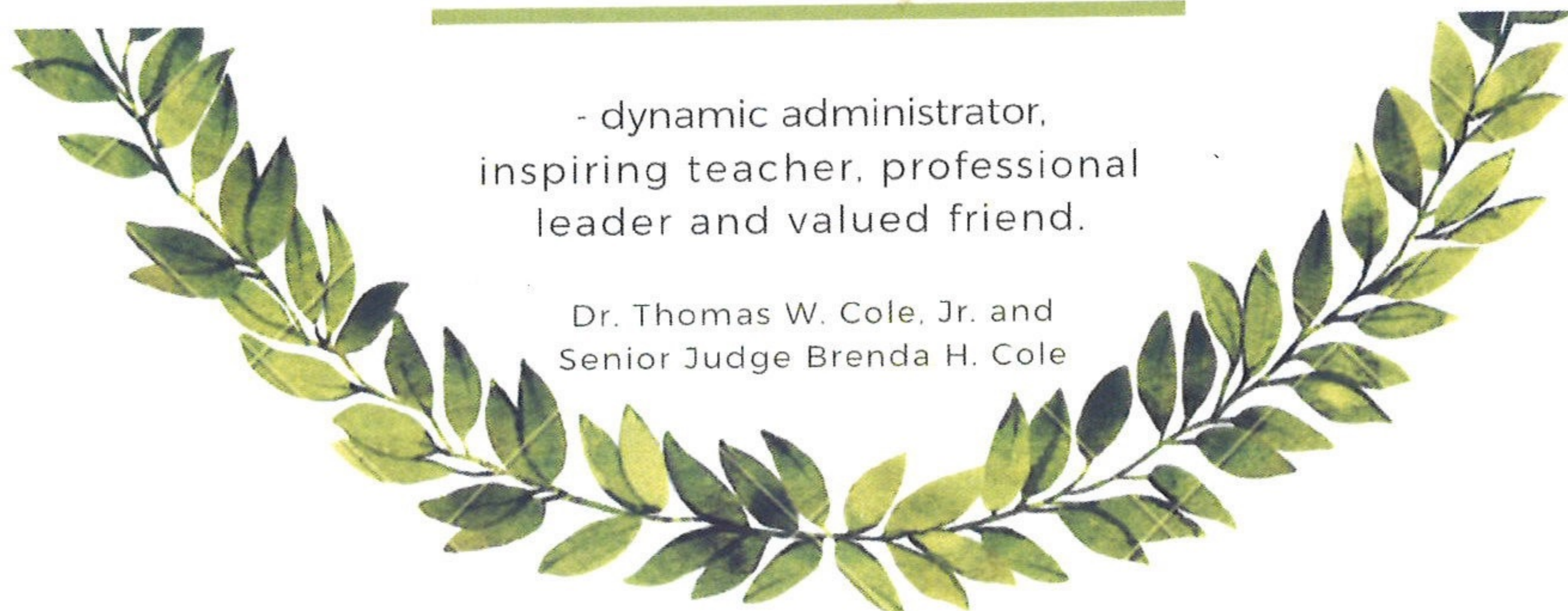


On this milestone of more than
a half century,

WE SALUTE DR.
MACK H. JONES

- dynamic administrator,
inspiring teacher, professional
leader and valued friend.

Dr. Thomas W. Cole, Jr. and
Senior Judge Brenda H. Cole

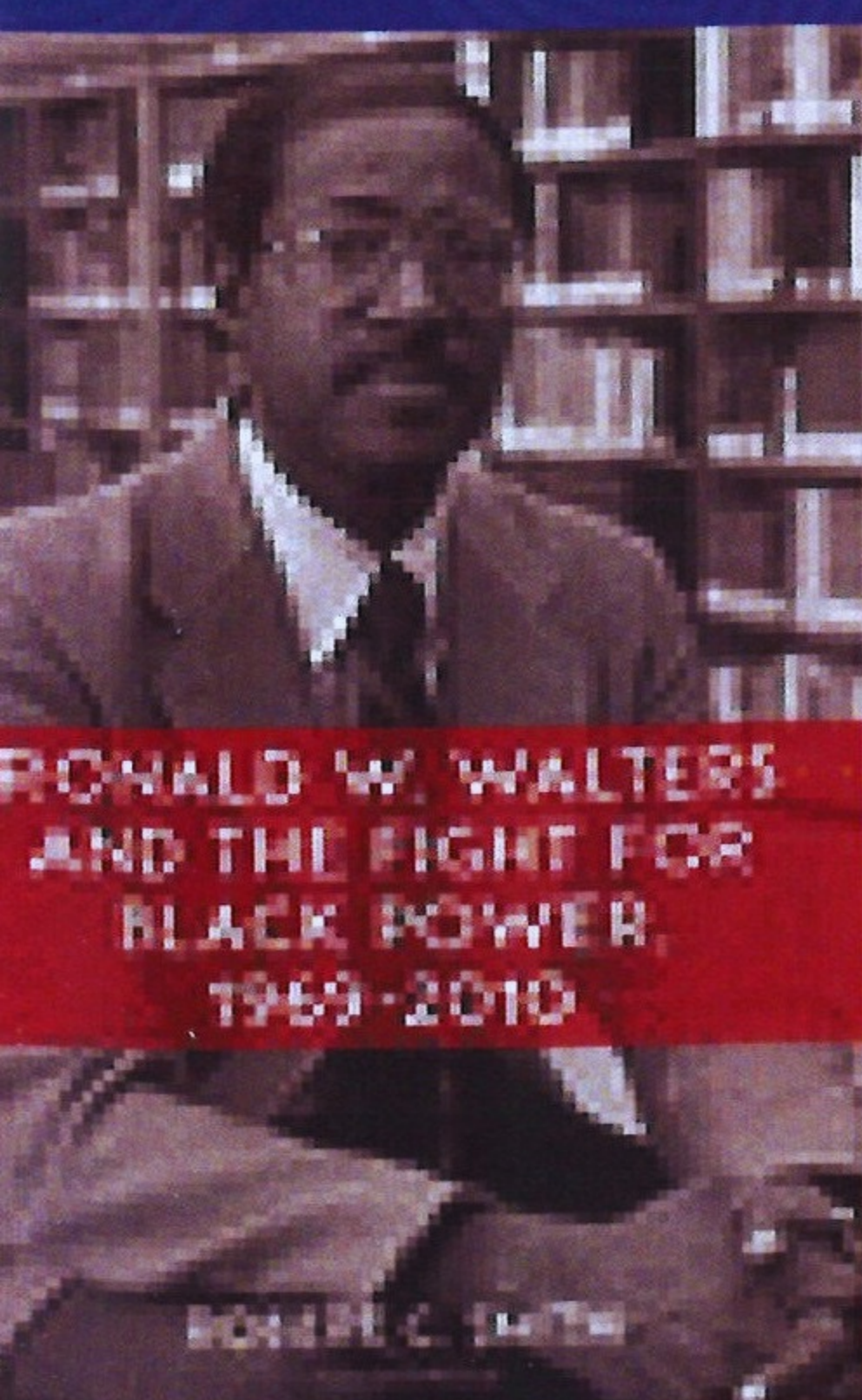


Dr. Mack H. Jones,

Thank you for your outstanding and dedicated service to the political science profession in the areas of scholarship, teaching and service. We are especially grateful for your leadership and commitment in helping to create the APSA Black Graduate Fellowship in 1969 (now known as the APSA Minority Fellowship Program). This fellowship has provided support to over 600 graduate students, the majority of whom currently serve in graduate assistantships and faculty and higher ed administrative positions across the country.

In appreciation,

The American Political Science Association

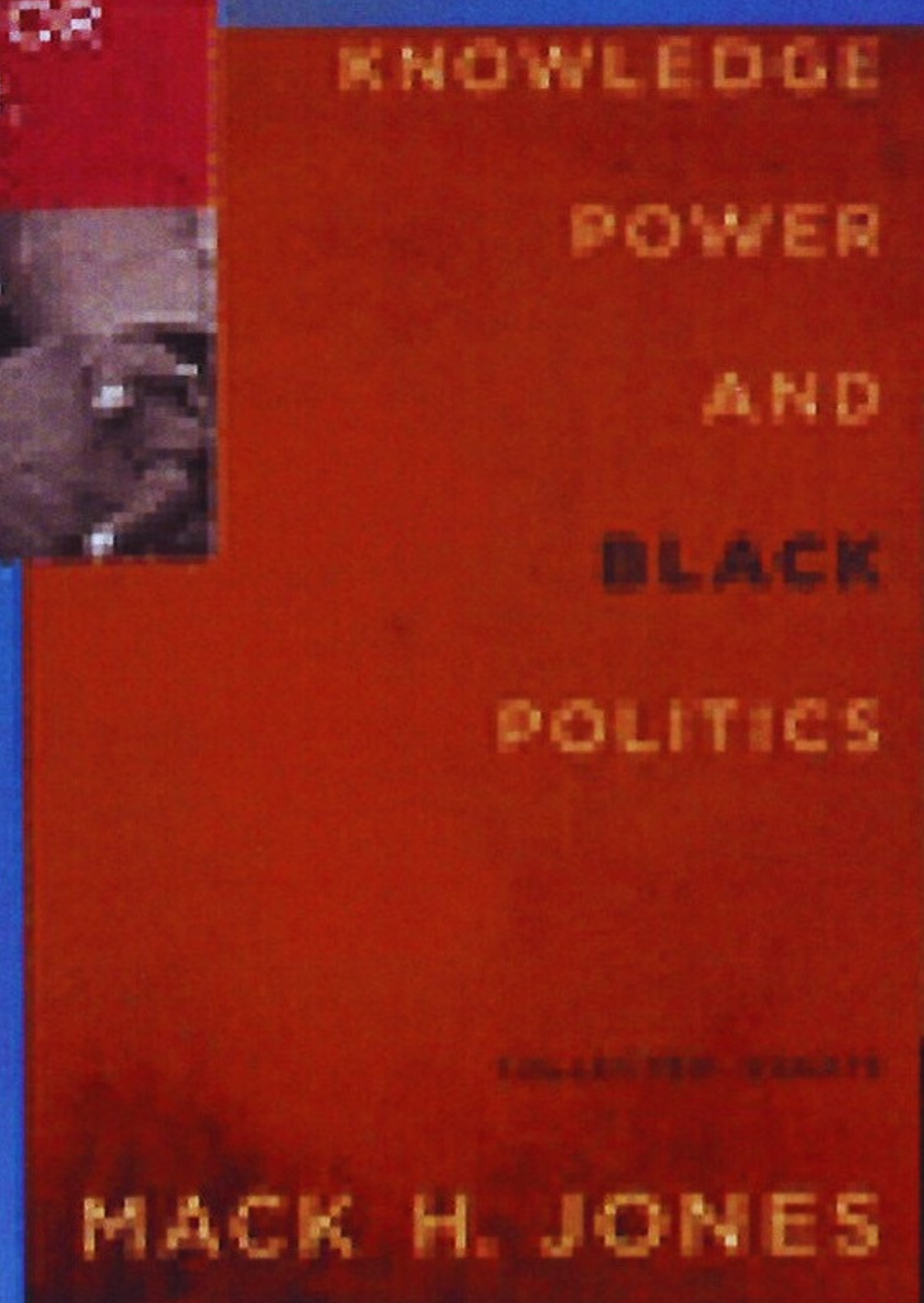


The Ronald W. Walters Leadership and Public Policy Center

Salutes
Dr. Mack H. Jones

- Leadership
- Scholarship
- Mentorship

Dr. Elsie L. Scott, Director



"Mack was an exceptional mentor and a great Department Chair. He made us proud to be a member of the Atlanta University team."

Dr. Shelby Lewis

THANK YOU DR. MACK HENRY JONES

"This generation of black academics must take the initiative in demystifying the nature of the U.S. economic and political order. Through our scholarship, we must show how it functions to maintain poverty and decadence at home and repression and underdevelopment abroad. We must disabuse ourselves of the notion that its problems are merely the unintended consequences of human progress or simply manifestations of human nature. We must show that the system we have now is the flawed creation of flawed men; that it was created by one variety of men to serve one variety of interests, and that that variety of men and the system they have created are not even suggestive of the limits of human possibilities."

Mack H. Jones



I read these words before meeting you. Now, guided by your example, armed with your mentorship, and encouraged by your friendship, I've committed my own scholarship to them.

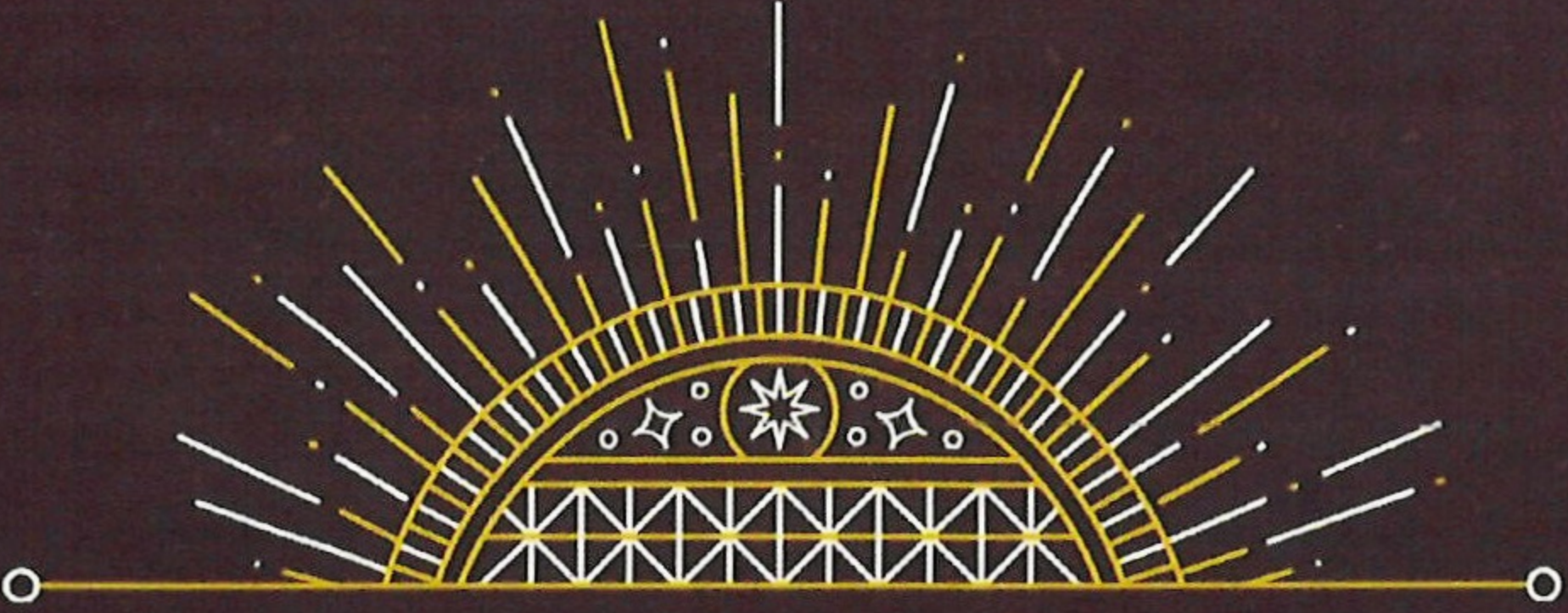
Love, peace, and thanks to you, Baba Mack. Ashe'!

Kurt B. Young, Associate Professor and Chair, Department of Political Science - Clark Atlanta University

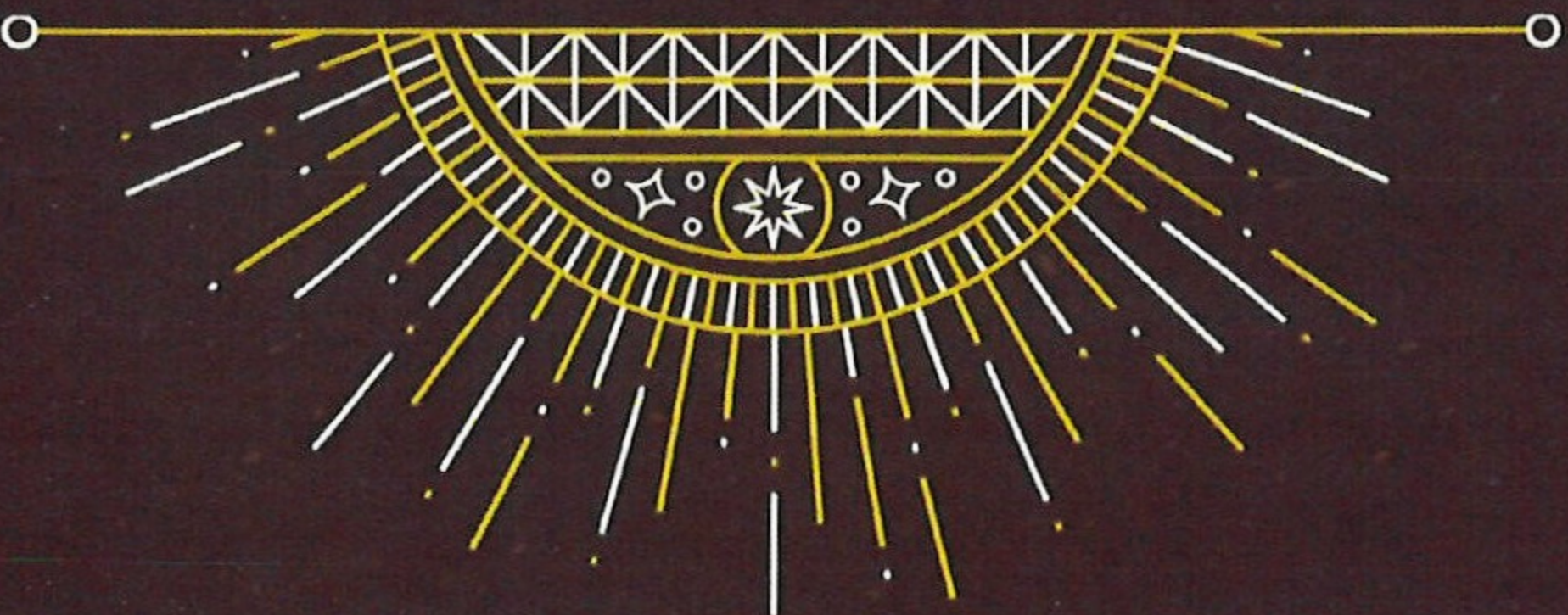
DR. JONES AND THE PROFESSORS AT
AU INSTILLED IN ME A WHOLE NEW
WORLDVIEW THAT ENHANCES MY
WISDOM AND HOPEFULLY ALLOWED
ME TO TRANSFER IT TO MY STUDENTS.

— *Ruthine Tidwell*

RUTHINE TIDWELL
FORMER PROFESSOR/ADMINISTRATOR
FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE AT JACKSONVILLE



CONGRATULATIONS
DR. MACK H. JONES!!!



I ENTHUSIASTICALLY ADD MY VOICE IN TRIBUTE
TO *YOU*! THANK YOU FOR YOUR MENTORING,
SCHOLARSHIP, AND PROFESSIONAL SUPPORT.

A Grateful Student,
MaryNell Morgan-Brown, PhD

CONGRATULATIONS

PROFESSOR
MACK JONES!



YOU HAVE INSPIRED MANY THROUGH
YOUR SCHOLARSHIP, SERVICE AND
TEACHING.

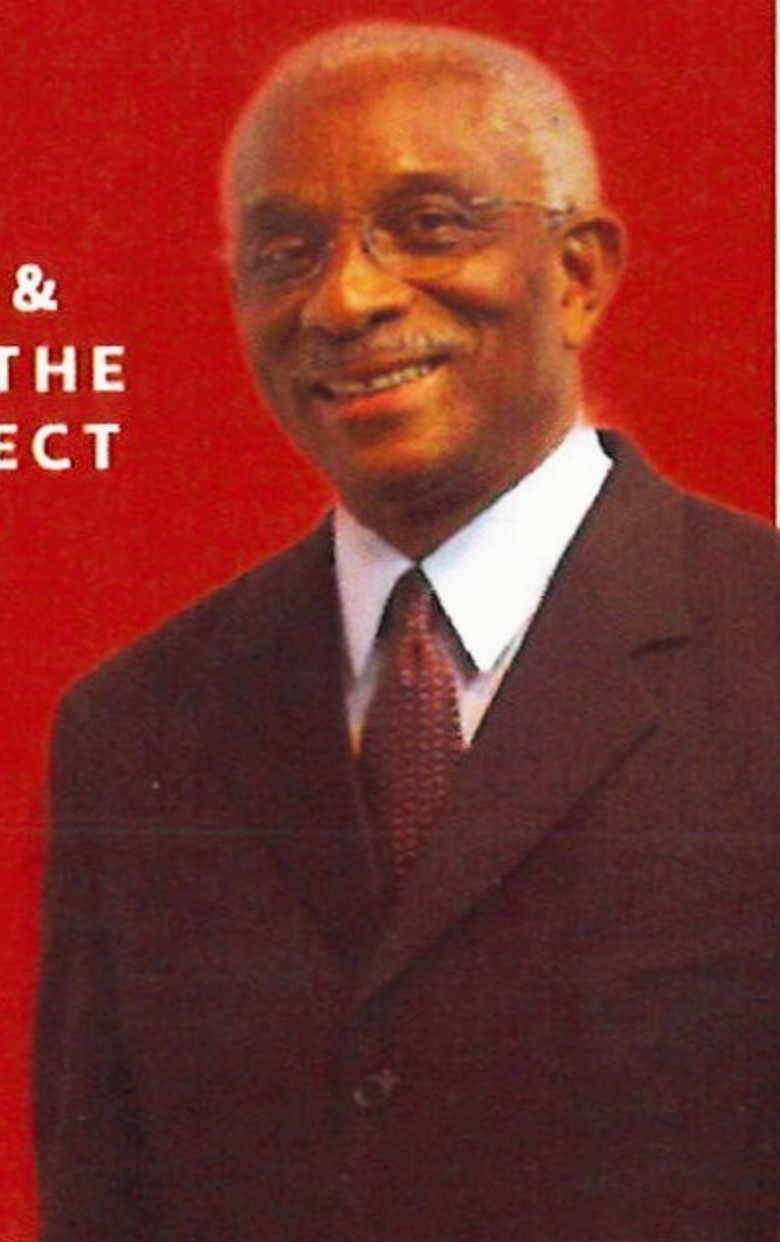
Darryl Thomas, Ph.D.

WE CELEBRATE
THE LEGACY OF

MACK H JONES

- a founding member of NCOBPS
- a sterling scholar
- an incomparable mentor
- and a living hero of our People

FROM THE RACE &
DEMOCRACY IN THE
AMERICAS PROJECT



CONGRATULATIONS

TO

**MACK HENRY
JONES**

FROM

**JOE McCORMICK
NCOBPS PRESIDENT
1999-2000**



To our Baba who

*has found a way and beat a
path for others to follow.
K'ara ole!*

Salute From:
Abi Adegboye Awomolo

Thank You Dr. Mack H. Jones

You have inspired so many!!! We Salute you!!!

Dr. Annie R. J. Benifield (MA May 1981)



**African
Heritage
Studies
Association**

**CELEBRATING
YEARS**

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**Dr. John H. Clarke
1969 - 2019**

**CONGRATULATIONS MACK! THANK YOU
FOR YOUR WISDOM, GUIDANCE AND
SUPPORT THROUGH THE YEARS!
-IFE WILLIAMS, PRESIDENT, AFRICAN
HERITAGE STUDIES ASSOCIATION**

**Celebrating AHSA's
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**Towards an
African Renaissance**



Tributes

TO DR. MACK HENRY JONES

Congratulations Dr. Mack Henry Jones

Special Thanks for your contributions to NCOBPS and the discipline of Political Science

-Dr. Mae C. King, Professor Emeritus, Howard University

"Words cannot express the profound impact you've had on my life. You've been an extraordinary JEGNA. Medase Pa for your sacrifices and wisely leading us in our global collective struggle for Afrikan liberation."

Afia Serwaa Zakiya, CAU 1997

President Jones, thank you for your leadership, your love for NCOBPS, and your model legacy for our organization.

Shayla Nunnally

Dear Mack Henry,

Thank you for your innovative and pioneering leadership and for providing a frame of reference for NCOBPS!

Leslie-Burl McLemore, Ph.D

Alumni of Howard University's Department of Political Science congratulate and celebrate Dr. Mack Jones, a brilliant political scientist and mentor.

Thank you for being a role model and inspiration for us all.

Sharon D. Wright Austin, Ph.D.

You've been a leader in NCOBPS, a visionary scholar, and a lifelong mentor for all of us—both students and colleagues—who've learned the craft and passion of political science from your example. Thank you, my friend.

—Tony Affigne, Providence College

Mack Jones' "A Frame of Reference for Black Politics" after a half-century is still the theoretical anchor for the study of our liberation struggle.

Robert C. Smith

Patrons

Ashley Daniels

Pearl Ford Dowe

Nikol Alexander-Floyd

Diarra Robertson

In Memory of
Brother Imari Obadele

Your Friend and former Colleague
Prairie View University



Johnita & Elsie Scott

**REMEMBERING
LOIS B. HOLLIS**

**First Ph.D. Graduate Department of
Political Science, Atlanta University
1975**

NCOBPS President,
1986-87

IN MEMORY
of
Our Beloved Njeri Jackson



Your Student, Colleague, Comrade, and Friend

IN MEMORIAM



DR. JAMES T. JONES

Professor Emeritus
Department of Public Administration
Clark Atlanta University



In the Spirit of
Dr. Jewel Limar Prestage
Your Teacher, Mentor & Colleague

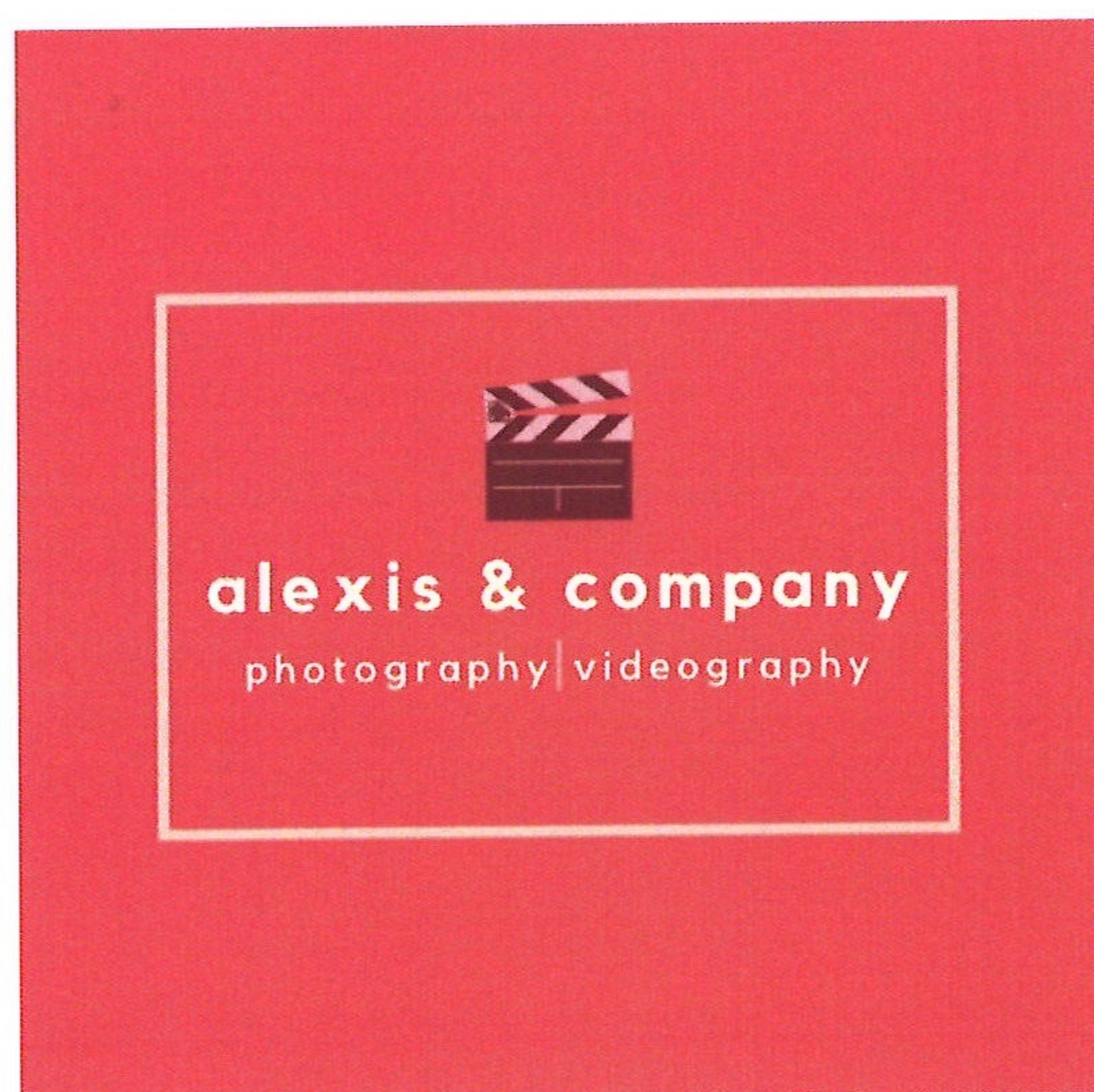
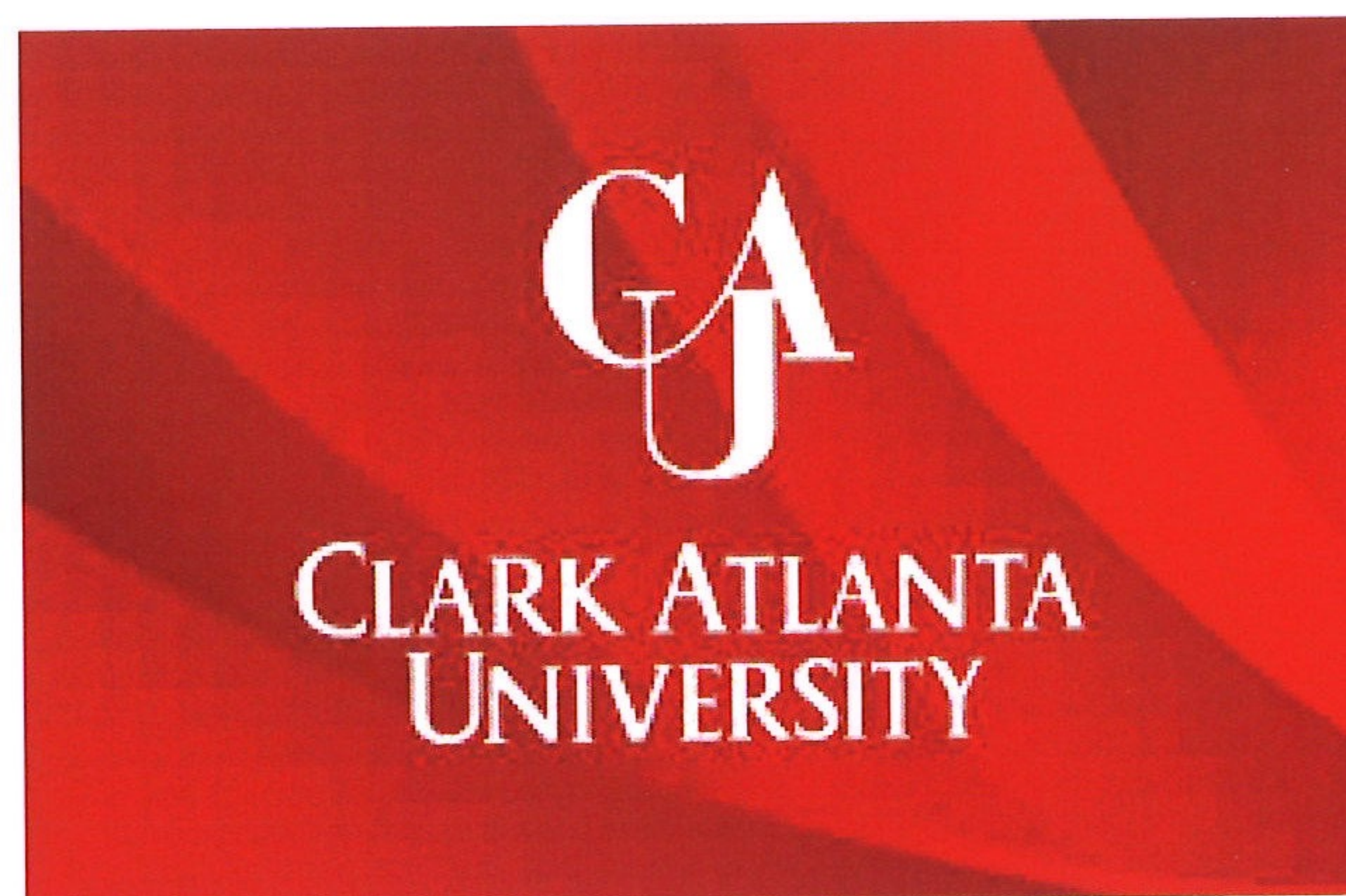
Congratulations!!!

Dr. Mack Henry Jones



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“The good life, in my mind, is tied to the extent to which through one’s actions, one elevates the conditions of the family and other people they are devoted to.”

