

## NAACP MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is to ensure the political, educational, social and economic equality of rights of all persons and to eliminate racial hatred and racial discrimination.

## DAYTON UNIT NAACP VISION STATEMENT

The Dayton Unit NAACP *VISION* is to fulfill the Dream of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 by capitalizing on the 2nd "A" of the NAACP, which stands for *ADVANCEMENT*. (Copyright © Incorporated 2007 - DLF)

### *Lift Every Voice and Sing*

Lift every voice and sing, till earth and Heaven ring,  
Ring with the harmonies of liberty;  
Let our rejoicing rise, high as the listening skies,  
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.  
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us,  
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us;  
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun,  
Let us march on till victory is won.

Stony the road we trod, bitter the chastening rod,  
Felt in the days when hope unborn had died;  
Yet with a steady beat, have not our weary feet,  
Come to the place for which our fathers sighed?  
We have come over a way that with tears has been watered,  
We have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered;  
Out from the gloomy past, till now we stand at last  
Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,  
Thou Who hast brought us thus far on the way;  
Thou Who hast by Thy might, led us into the light,  
Keep us forever in the path, we pray.  
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met Thee.  
Lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world, we forget Thee.  
Shadowed beneath Thy hand, may we forever stand,  
True to our God, true to our native land.

Words By: *JAMES WELDON JOHNSON*

\*\*\* PROGRAM \*\*\*

## *Dayton Branch of the NAACP 46<sup>th</sup> Inaugural Ceremony*

*Master of Ceremony: Honorable State Representative Fred Strahorn*

<i>Invocation</i>	<i>Rev. Dr. Charles Holmes</i>
<i>Welcome &amp; Occasion</i>	<i>Rev. Dr. Robert E. Baines, Jr.</i>
<i>Purpose</i>	<i>Mary E. Taylor</i>
<i>Musical Selection (Everyone Please Join In!)</i>	<i>"Lift Every Voice and Sing"</i>
<i>Special Remarks</i>	<i>Honorable Willie F. Walker, President/CEO D.U.L. Honorable Commissioner Deborah A. Lieberman Honorable Commissioner Joey D. Williams Honorable Sybil Edwards-McNabb, President - Ohio Conference NAACP</i>
<i>Oath of Office Administered By</i>	<i>Honorable Judge Timothy N. O'Connell Montgomery County Common Pleas Court</i>
<i>Musical Selection "Stand"</i>	<i>Mt. Zion A.O.H. Church of God</i>
<i>Presidential Remarks</i>	<i>Derrick L. Foward, M.C.E. President, Dayton Branch of the NAACP</i>
<i>Musical Selection (Everyone Please Join In!)</i>	<i>"God Bless America"</i>
<i>Prayer For The Community &amp; Benediction 1st Timothy 2:1-3</i>	<i>Bishop John H. Mathews</i>

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# Congratulations!!!

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## Youth Advisors

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### **-ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS-**

Ellouise Catering Service

Installation Ceremony Committee

Mt. Zion A.O.H. Church of God

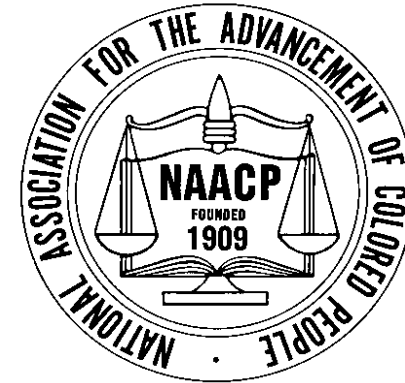
Littlejohn Junior NAACP Youth Council

NAACP ACT-SO Youth

Reception immediately following in the Locust Fellowship Hall.

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# Dayton Branch of the NAACP



## *46<sup>th</sup> Inaugural Ceremony*

*Wednesday, January 10, 2007*

*Mt. Zion A.O.H. Church of God*

*6:30 p.m.*

*"Where There Is Unity, There Is Strength"*

*National Theme: "Voting Our Values, Valuing Our Votes"*

*State Theme: "2007 – To The Next Level"*

*Local Theme: "Moving Forward Together With The NAACP"*

*Honorable Derrick L. Foward, M.C.E.*  
*21<sup>st</sup> President of the Dayton Unit NAACP*