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AFTER YEARS OF LITIGATION JUDGE APPROVES \$626 MILLION SETTLEMENT FOR EXPOSURE TO LEAD CONTAMINATION

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A federal judge on Wednesday

signed off on a \$626 million settlement for people who were exposed to lead-contaminated water in Flint, Michigan.

Driving the news: The terms will see nearly 80% of the settlement go to children who were younger than 18 when they were first exposed to the contaminated water.

People who paid water bills and adults who ingested the water are eligible. Certain businesses that underwent economic losses due to the crisis can also make settlement claims. The settlement is one of the largest in the state's history, according to U.S. District Judge Judith Levy.

Flashback: In 2014 and 2015, children in the city, many Black and under the poverty line, experienced a surge in lead poisoning after the city switched its water source to the Flint River without treating it to reduce corrosion.

In the aftermath, state leaders were accused of ignoring the risks and dismissing claims of illness.

What they're saying: "The settlement reached

and timeline that is consistent for every qualifying participant," Levy wrote in the 178-page order.

Don't forget: The contaminated water was blamed for an outbreak of Legionnaires' disease that killed at least 12 people.

Fetal death rates jumped 58% while birth outcomes worsened, with Black babies being disproportionately impacted.

The big picture: A government-appointed civil rights commission found in 2017 that systemic racism going back decades contributed to the water crisis.

Most of the money will come from the state.

here is a remarkable achievement for many reasons, not the least of which is that it sets forth a comprehensive compensation program

Then-Michigan Gov. Rick Snyder (R) was charged with willful neglect of duty earlier this

MICHIGAN STATE VS.OHIO STATE FOOTBALL

EAST LANSING - While the college football world is buzzing about



The Committee ranking Michigan higher that Michigan State despite the Spartans' victory in head to head

competition, the

Spartan Nation fans have their minds locked only on Saturday's game.

It's Ohio State Week, and the Spartan Nation knows that the game set for Saturday in Columbus is the only one that counts now. Everything that coach Tucker's kids have dreamed and worked for is on the line. Big 10 championship, place among the top programs in the country, shot at the National Title, it all comes to an end if they don't win Saturday. MSU is 9-1 overall and 6-1 in the Big 10. Ohio State is 9-1 overall and 7-0 in the conference. A loss would knock the Spartans out of the race.

Tucker's kid got in that position by coming back from a 40-29 humbling at the hands of Purdue to handle Maryland, 40-21, November 13 at Spartan Stadium. A trio of players who have led MSU throughout the season, led the Spartan resurgence. Quarterback, Payton Thorne passed for 287 yards and four touchdowns; Kenneth Walker III ran for 143 yards and two touchdowns; and wide receiver, Jayen Reed caught eight passes for 114 yards and two touchdowns. That offensive show was just too much for Maryland. Thorne started things off quickly, hitting Monlorie Foster with a 52-yard bomb early in the first quarter to give MSU a 7-0 lead which the Spartans never relinquished. Thorne made it 13-0 a few minutes later with a 29-yard bomb to Reed.

FLINT WATER PLANT

Maryland made it 13-7, But Thorne's two yard touchdown toss to Connor Heyward, and Walker's one yard dive put MSU on top, 27-7 at the half. Maryland's quarterback, Taulia Tagovailoa took advantage of MSU's generous pass defense hitting 29 of 48 passes for 350 yards and two touchdowns, but it was far from enough. Maryland got to, 34-21, before Walker scored his two yard run to end the scoring.

If MSU can continue its offensive

performance, and Ohio State's offense continues to roll, there should be lots of big play scoring. MSU totaled 482 yards and scored 40 points on Maryland. Ohio State put up 624 yards onits way to a 59-31 victory over Purdue that day.

"You gotta prepare during the week for a 15-round fight,"

Tucker said "Scared money doesn't win. You gotta play to win, and then you have to have competitive greatness. Be at your best when your best is needed, and your good players need to play good."



Lansing Community College congratulates Trustee Angela Mathews and Benita Duncan on their recent elections at the Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT) Leadership Congress

Trustee Mathews was elected Vice-Chair of the African American Community College Trustees Association (AACCTA). The AACCTA is a constituency group of the ACCT and serves as an organization committed to assessing the cumulative effects of higher education policy on African American students, faculty and staff.

Ms. Duncan was elected as President of The Professional Board Staff Network (PBSN). She becomes the first African American to ascend to the position of President for the Executive Committee of the ACCT PBSN. The PBSN is a national level resource for those who support governing boards or presidents of community colleges.



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Trustee Angela Mathews Vice-Chair LCC Board of Trustees



Benita Duncan Executive Assistant and Liaison to LCC Board of Trustees

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Willingly Leaping out of your own comfort zone

True selfless warriors! You step out...

Jumping into this horrific challenge, yet know...you're not alone You BRAVE souls, your bravery influence us all to do what we can To do generously...our small and meager parts

You brave souls, encourage us to extend, EXTEND, though not tangible

But enduring love from the depths of our hearts

I SALUTE you...Your Bravery, your courageousness

Your selflessness, your tirelessness!

I SALUTE you as you GIVE... For your caring and comfort are only surpassed by your kindness You are the heroes of the hour!

Dee Freeman





POETREE IN MOTION

You are the sheroes with boundless power! The gifts you give speaks volumes about you The charity you exemplify today is even admirable, too! I send my heartfelt thanks to each of you! THANK YOU! I send my heart felt thanks to each and everyone of you! THANK YOU!

So, first responders: Doctors, Nurses, medical staff, clerks, attendants!

First responders: Policemen, Firemen, workers of all kinds! Thank you!

Front line...You know who you are and what you're doing...

During these unusual and scary times...THANK YOU! My hope and prayer is that together each of us will look back

Someday soon...WE will look back... Yes me and you! Smiling and giving thanks to our creator

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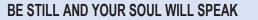
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"And forgive us our offenses, as we have forgiven our offenders." Matthew 6:12 The Modern New Testament from the Aramaic



Greetings, Dearest of All, the Creator of Heaven and Earth. We are reviewing what it means to live A Thanks-Living Life for November. We've considered two scriptures, which commanded cheerfulness, thankfulness, and gratefulness as God's will for humanity. We also developed a litany to embody A Thanks-living Life: 1. Be grateful to

all who have helped you. 2. Do things for others. 3. Endeavor to make others happy. 4. Be an inspiration to others. 5. Live each day to the fullest. 6. Use your talents and obligations to invest for the common good. 7. Face the challenges of life as a quest for achievement. 8. Enjoy what you have and share with others."

Synonyms for thankfulness include gratitude, appreciation, acknowledgment, and recognition. But, of course, it isn't easy to practice these acts of reconciliation if there is resentment, anger, envy, hatred, bitterness, jealousy, greed, gluttony, and unforgiveness in your heart. Such things create blockages, for which there is only spiritual surgery to uproot.

Proverbs 4:23 cautions us, "Above all else, watch over your heart; diligently guard it because from a sincere and pure heart come the good and noble things of life." And Phillipeans 4:7 comes with a Divine promise. "And know that the peace of God (a peace that is beyond any and all of our human understanding) will stand watch over your hearts and minds in Jesus, the Anointed One."

I submit that we live in a divided country, and we desperately need to be reconciled one with another. Particularly around these issues between the anti-virus and pro-virus component. If we cannot agree to protect one another, what is the alternative? I believe our greatest need is to learn to self-forgive—more on the subject of self-forgiveness next week.

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Celebration Announcements by The Ambassador of Celebration

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Ms. Erica Moore celebrates her birthday on November 1st." Thank GOD for another day, another year! Keeps it pushing!" Ms. Paige Turner celebrates her 33rd birthday on November 2nd with her Mom Jennifer Dunham, and friends. Ms. Lani Coulter celebrated her birthday on November 3rd. Love to family and friends!!! Ms. Tara Q. Morgan, born November 3rd, celebrates her birthday, with family and friends while working at the Fleetwood Diner in Lansing, Michigan. Ms. Beth Ann Sheets celebrates her 43rd birthday on November 3rd, with friends and family! Ms. Malinda Milten celebrates her birthday on November 5th. Ms. April Weiden celebrates her birth on November 6th, with family and friends. Ms. Laney Kelly celebrates her 12th birthday on November 6th. Mommy and Daddy love you! Ms. Patricia Jones celebrates her birthday on November 6th. Ms. Katie Bengal celebrates her 33rd birthday November 7th, with family and friends. Ms. Carmen Keener born on November 8th, celebrates with family and friends. Ms. Dawn Elliott celebrates her 35th birthday on November 10th Mr. Eric Pastrana celebrates his birthday on November 11th. Ms. Andrea James celebrates her 56th birthday on November 12th. M.C. Skrap celebrates his 41st birthday on November 13th. "Check out my music... I am Skrap on Facebook and Twitter" Ms. Elizabeth Ludivinia Heyboer "Happy Birthday" November 16th. I Love You, Mom! Shandra Starr. Ms. Angela Jimenez celebrates her birthday on November 16th with family and friends. Mr. J. T. Wheeler III AKA J-Tizzle celebrates his 26th birthday on November 16th. Ms. Keesha Davis enjoys her birthday on November 17th. Mr. Darryl Horton celebrates his birthday on November 17th. Ms. Michele Carr celebrates her birthday on November 17th, with family and friends. Mr. Rod Allen, born November 17th, has a good time celebrating with family and friends. Ms. Hope Davenport celebrates her birthday on November 17th. She says; "I love and appreciate my family and friends. They make me feel like a spoiled brat." Ms. Gladys Woodard celebrates her birthday on November 18th, with family Mr. Alexander Grant Nicholson celebrates his 25th birthday on November 18th, with family and friends. "Your family loves you very much, always do your best!!!" Proud of You, Nephew. Ms. Sandra Yvette Brown celebrates her birthday on November 19th, with her loving son Alexander Grant, family and friends doing what they do best: enjoying fun, valued friendships and pleasant memories everlasting!!! Ms. Carolyn Grace celebrates her birthday on November 19th. Mr. J.C. Hemingway celebrates his birthday on November 19th. Ms. Melissa Flores enjoys her birthday on November 20th. Ms. Ashlee Wilson celebrates her 37th birthday on November 20th, with family and friends. Ms. Heather Fick celebrates her 44th year of living on November 20th. Mrs. Sharita Murphy celebrates her birthday on November 21st, with family and friends. Uncle Billy loves you! Ms. LaQuita Rhymes celebrates her 38th birthday on November 21st. Mr. Andre Brewer enjoys his birthday on November 21st. Ms. Annie Brandon, born on November 21st, celebrates with family and friends! We love you mother, sister, and friend. Ms. Shonte Anthony celebrates her birthday on November 22nd. "On my way to the top, thanking the man upstairs... His name is GOD !!!" Ms. Autumn King celebrates her birthday on November 22nd. Ms. Zerraka Benson-Martin celebrates her 18th birthday on November 22nd, with a party, attended by family and friends. Ms. Kris Jackson celebrates her 49th birthday on November 24th, with her best friend, Tawana. Ms. Keisha Nogeiro enjoys her 47th birthday, saying," Blessed to see another year!" Ms. Chenish Barragan celebrates her birthday on November 24th. Ms. Tesharra Smith celebrates her 36th birthday on November 25th. She said, "I made it -Thanks." Master Jerahmi Bell celebrates his 11th birthday on November 25th. "Happy birthday, Mommy loves you, big number 11!" Ms. Rachelle Mackley enjoys her 35th birthday on November 26th, with family and friends. "Happy Birthday to my Beautiful daughter... you are such a Joy!" Love Mom... Ms. Angela Vaala celebrates her 36th birthday on November 26th, with family and friends and

glad to be alive!

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Mr. J.R. Beauboeuf, Lansing Community College Director of Risk Management and Legal Services, celebrates his birthday on November 27th, with family and friends.

Mr. Frank Medellin celebrates his birthday on November 27th, with his wife, Cathy. They celebrated their 32nd anniversary on August 13th.

Mr. Nick Jones celebrates his 48th birthday on November 29th, "Doing the thing"! Mr. D.J. Sanchez celebrates his 50th birthday on November 29th.

Mr. Duane Michael Brown, Jr. celebrates birthday on November 25th, with family and friends who love you very much.

Ms. Sylvia Calvo celebrates her 39th birthday on November 29th.

Ms. Nattalie Seymore will celebrate her 36th birthday on November 29th, with her girls. Ms. Candace Cares enjoys her birthday on November 30th.

Ms. Lucy Springs celebrates her birthday on November 30th, with family and friends.

Ms. Brandy Johnson's 40th birthday is on November 30th.

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Mr. Eddie Jackson celebrates his 51st birthday on November 30th, with family and friends.

Anniversaries

Mr. CJ and Mrs. Jamie Enness celebrated their 18th wedding anniversary on October 26th. Mr. & Mrs. Danny and Tina Gonzales celebrated their 22nd wedding anniversary on October 31st, with their two children.

Mr. & Mrs. Ed and Mindy McLouth celebrate their 29th wedding anniversary on November 2nd. Mr. & Mrs. Nicholas and Miranda Stone celebrate their 16th wedding anniversary on November 8th. "I love you so much!! You're the best thing! I love you!" Love Miranda.

Mr. & Mrs. John and Mary Stephenson celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on November 9th. Their Love is forever!

Mr.and Mrs. Carlos and Amber Cuellar celebrate their 32nd wedding anniversary on November 9th.

Mr. & Mrs. Josh and Sarah Baldwin celebrate their wedding anniversary on November 6th, forever and for always!

Announcements

Ms. Brenda Robinson celebrated her 54th birthday on October 14th. She said, "Thank you JE-SUS... I made it another year" Thank You family and friends.

Miss Kyrstyn Elizabeth Brown enjoyed her birthday on October 17th with family and friends. Miss. Shanca Renee Mary Mitchell celebrated her birthday on October 23rd with family and friends.

Mr. Lamonte Charles Brown celebrated his birthday on October 28th with family and friends.

Please let us know if you have anyone to celebrate 🔊

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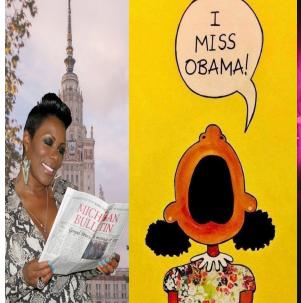
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[E. Lansing, MI] Ferguson

has served Michigan for some sixty years in various capacities. he first Black to be elected to the Lansing City Council in 1967and the first Black to join the Ingham County Board of Supervisors. Ferguson has served on many other boards: Boys Club, YMCA, the Arthritis Foundation, to name a few. Lansing native Ferguson attended Sexton High School, joined the United States Marine Corp. paid his way through college working for Oldsmobile while attending Michigan State University. Later Ferguson became a teacher and Training program director for Greater Lansing Urban League. Ferguson retires leading multi million dollar projects, co owner and founder Capital National Bank, and co-founder, President and owner Fox 47/Channel 53. His acheivements continue as the Vice President of Blue Cross-Blue Sheild Foundation, the Greater Lansing Concil. He retired, elected four times as Vice Chairman of Michigan State University Board of Trustees.







(Left to right) Gregory Eaton(Lobbist), Mel Tucker (MSU Coach) Magic Johnson (One of Basketball's greatest players of all time), Joel Ferguson (Former MSU Trustee & multi-faceted contributions to Michigan)

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