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The South Carolina Senate unanimously passed a Resolution to authorize the commissioning of a portrait of Senator John W. Matthews, Jr., to be placed in the Senate Chamber. Our dear friend and colleague is being honored for his dedicated service representing District 39 for a collective 45 years in the South Carolina House of Representatives and in the Senate, where he currently serves. He is also being recognized as the longest serving African American in our General Assembly.

There is a Senate Committee that will determine all aspects of the portrait commissioning. This project will entail the commissioning of an artist, the selection of an appropriate frame, the portrait unveiling and a reception after the unveiling. Any remaining funds will then go to a charity of Senator Matthews' choice.

We are asking each of you to consider contributions on the following levels: **Platinum ~ \$10,000, Gold ~ \$7,500 or Silver ~ \$5,000**; however, any amount will be gratefully accepted. Please make all checks payable to the "John W. Matthews, Jr. Portrait Committee" and mail them to Post Office Box 773, Columbia, South Carolina 29202.

The Senator would like to share this momentous occasion with his children and grandchildren, all of whom usually travel home for his late wife's annual memorial in December. Therefore, we have tentatively scheduled the portrait unveiling for mid-December in order to better accommodate the family.

Your prompt attention to this request is greatly appreciated! Thank you for any and all consideration given to this matter. If you have any questions or need any additional information, please feel free to contact either one of us. You may also contact the committee's staffer Valarie Tresvant at 803.269.4045 or send an email to: matthewsportrait@gmail.com. With kind regards, we remain

Yours sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Nikki Setzler in black ink.

Nikki Setzler
Chair, Portrait Committee

Handwritten signature of Darrell Jackson, Sr. in black ink.

Darrell Jackson, Sr.
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2019 John W. Matthews, Jr. Portrait Committee
Sponsorship Opportunities

Platinum Sponsors

\$10,000

- Reserved Seating in Senate Chamber (*5 guests*)
- VIP Reception (*5 guests*)
- Reserved Parking (*5 guests*)
- Recognition on all Portrait Unveiling Materials & all Media Outreach
- Recognition in the Event Program
- Introduction & Acknowledgement During Program

Gold Sponsors

\$7,500

- Reserved Seating in Senate Ante-Chamber (*3 guests*)
- VIP Reception (*3 guests*)
- Reserved Parking (*3 guests*)
- Recognition in the Event Program

Silver Sponsors

\$5,000

- Balcony Seating (*2 guests*)
- Reserved Parking (*2 guests*)
- Recognition in the Event Program