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PRESS RELEASE



**The Honorable
John Charles Thomas**

Keynote Speaker

“Peace through People– the Art of Citizen Diplomacy”

at the

Norfolk Sister City Annual Luncheon

February 15, 2009

12noon

Norfolk Yacht and Country Club

Norfolk Sister City Association is honored to welcome one Norfolk’s own as its’ Annual Meeting Keynote Speaker. Judge John Charles Thomas was raised in the Huntersville neighborhood of Norfolk, one of the early African American students to graduate from Maury High School and a pioneer at University of Virginia. Judge Thomas’s most noted accomplishment is that of being the first African American appointed to the Supreme Court of Virginia, as well as youngest, in 1983.

Judge Thomas’s interests go far beyond his law practice. While serving on many boards and councils, he also makes time to participate in a number of community and educational projects, such as Martin Luther King High School in New York, where he and other attorneys inspire students towards excellence. Judge Thomas exemplifies NSCA’s mission “To promote peace through mutual respect, understanding and cooperation– one individual, one community at a time”... which is why we are honored for him to share his thoughts on “Peace Through People– the Art of Citizen Diplomacy” as our keynote speaker.

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Luncheon is \$30 per person.

Open to public, need not be a NSCA member.