



LOUISIANA STATE CONFERENCE

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

To: All Units

From: Raphael Cassimere, Jr., Chair, **Resolutions** and **Awards** Committees

FIRST, please be reminded that in 2011, we adopted a resolution which required all proposed resolutions to be submitted no later than **10** days prior to the opening of the convention. This means that your resolution must be received in the state office by the end of business on **September 14, 2020**. As an alternative you may send them to me as an attachment (rcassime@uno.edu). The resolution must be typed and signed by the President **and** Secretary of the unit. Only *bona fide emergency* resolutions, certified by the President will be considered after September 16.

SECOND, all nominations for state awards must be received by no later than **August 24, 2020**. Nominations **MUST** be signed by the President **and** Secretary of each unit making nominations. Please include appropriate supporting documentation for each nomination (pictures, news articles, letters, etc.). Annual awards are given in the following categories:

EMMITT J. DOUGLAS MEMORIAL MEDAL: This is the highest internal award given to active NAACP members within the State of Louisiana for long and distinguished service. Nominees must be active within their local community. Each unit may nominate 1 youth and 1 adult. **Previous recipients are ineligible.**

CHAMPION OF THE CAUSE AWARD: This award is given to an active NAACP member for outstanding contributions to the NAACP during the previous year. Each unit may nominate *1* youth and *1* adult. **Previous recipients are ineligible** for two years.

ERNEST L. JOHNSON, SR. COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS: Awards are given to individuals/ organizations for service to their local unit or the state conference. Each unit may nominate 1 person and 1 organization.

OUTSTANDING NAACP UNIT AWARDS (branch, college chapter, or youth council): One unit will be selected in each category. Each unit may make one nomination in each category.

M. JOY CLEMONS LEGAL SERVICES AWARD: One award will be given to a member of the legal profession who has made outstanding contributions in the area of civil rights/human rights.

A.P. TUREAUD BLACK CITIZENSHIP MEDAL: One award will be given to an African American who has made long and distinguished contributions in the area of civil/human rights, the Arts or Education, etc., within Louisiana. Each unit may nominate one person. Previous recipients are ineligible.



Please get your resolutions and nominations in on time!