Honoring BIG Legacy, Honorable Ms. Hazel Calhoun Hays

TRIBUTE FROM NATIONAL PRESIDENT

Honorable Mrs. Hazel Calhoun Hays was laid to rest on Friday, 17 May 2019 at the Second Baptist Church in San Antonio, TX.

National Blacks In Government, Inc. (BIG) mourns and celebrates the extraordinary life of one of its Mothers, Honorable Mrs. Hazel Calhoun Hays, who dedicated her life to serving others. She was committed to Blacks In Government’s goals which center on achieving equity, excellence, and opportunity for all. Mother Hays, as we lovingly call her, was generous, kind, caring, honest and brave. She instilled in the BIG family the importance of making a positive difference in the lives of others by lifting each other up and speaking up against injustice, prejudice, and indifference. She believed we each have a responsibility to make it better for all those who come after us. For her, it was inexcusable for us to do anything less.

Blacks In Government was fortunate to know her. She was an inspiration for all of us and will always remain in our memories. We will continue her legacy of learning and empowering others. Our deepest sympathy and love go out to her family. Mother Hays, thank you for teaching us by your example, the value of hard work, good judgment, courage and integrity.

O God, Who has commanded us to honor our father and mother, have compassion in Thy mercy, on the souls of my father and mother; forgive them their sins, and grant that I may see them in the joy of eternal brightness. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.