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MWRD honors “Living Legends” during African American History Month celebration

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRD) Vice President Barbara McGowan, her fellow commissioners and staff celebrated African American History Month during a special event held in the MWRD Board Room Feb. 20.

Vice President McGowan presented “Living Legend” awards to Timuel Black, educator, activist and historian; Herb Kent, “The Cool Gent;” Robin Robinson, Fox News Chicago 32-WFLD TV; John W. Rogers, Jr., Founder, Ariel Capital Management; Mac Alexander, owner, MacArthur’s Restaurant; and Melody Spann-Cooper, President, WVON Radio. Blues artist Jimmy Pryor provided musical entertainment.

“It is important that we celebrate African American history so that people of all races can recognize our roots and the flowers that have bloomed despite adversity,” said Vice President McGowan.



(L-R) Former Senator Carol Moseley Braun; John W. Rogers, Jr., Founder, Ariel Capital Management; Robin Robinson, Fox News Chicago 32-WFLD TV; MWRD Vice President Barbara McGowan, and Melody Spann-Cooper, President, WVON Radio during the MWRD’s African American History celebration Feb. 20.



(L-R) MWRD Executive Director David St. Pierre, Herb Kent, “The Cool Gent,” and Vice President Barbara McGowan during the MWRD’s African American History celebration held on Feb. 20.



Blues artist Jimmy Pryor performing during the MWRD’s African American History celebration held on Feb. 20.

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