

Honorable Jack C. Sims

A Humanitarian with Indomitable Spirit, Leadership, Compassion And Passion Driven with His One Goal To *“Improve the Quality of Life”!*

Honorable Jack C. Sims Retired Mayor, City of District Heights Maryland (2018), Minister of Trade and Industry for the United Kingdoms of Africa (2016). Chairman, CEO and Managing Director of United Kingdoms of Africa North America, Inc. (2017), Political & Business Development Advisor for Vantera Commodities Group, LLC., Relationship Director-CETS (2019), Wenteleo Group, Inc. Executive Vice President/Founding Director-Board of Directors(2020), The World Conference of Mayors-BOD(2020), African Premier Airlines- BOD, TippyTV-ADVISOR(2020)

In 1997, Jack C. Sims was elected the first African American Mayor of the City of District Heights, Maryland (USA). He served a third term as Mayor retiring in May 2018.

On February 11, 2014, Jack C. Sims made history again! At a City of District Heights Mayor & Commission workshop meeting, a motion was made unanimously to honor Commissioner Sims by naming the city’s 1.4-mile park and pathway exercise trail after this special man. On April 26, 2014, the Red Ribbon Naming Ceremonies took place: The Jack C. Sims Exercise Park/Trail.

Mayor Jack C Sims was appointed Official Southern Cherokee Nation and The Red Fire People (SCNRFP) Emissary Representative and Advisor. He is a 2020 member of the Maryland Black Mayors Association Board of Directors and the Vice President Historic Black Towns and Settlements Alliance, Inc. Mayor Jack C. Sims served as Vice Mayor in 1994 and Police and Code Enforcement Commissioner from 1993 to 1995.

He served on the National League of Cities-International Committee, Finance, Administration and Intergovernmental Relations Steering Committee (FAIR) and he served as the First Vice President of the World Conference of Mayors (TRADE) until November 2018.

In 2003, Mayor Jack Sims was presented with the Clan Chief Daiwor-Togbah Woah-Tee and Dr. Samuel L. Banks Annual Humanitarian Award. In October of 2013, Chairman Jack C. Sims became the first American and first African American to become the recipient of the prestigious *2013 Mkiva Humanitarian Award* from the South Africa Mkiva Foundation of the XHOSA Nation. Past recipients of this award include Nelson Mandela, former President Fidel Castro and other world leaders. Mayor Sims was also crowned as Honorary Chief by several communities in the Republic of Nigeria and was gowned as an Honorary Paramount Chief of Bong County, Liberia.

Mayor Sims is active in national and international affairs. He has had business trips to Canada, Ivory Coast, South Africa, Equatorial Guinea, Senegal, The Gambia, Ghana, Nigeria, Haiti, Trinidad, Cyprus, Liberia, Vietnam, Sierra Leone, Virgin Islands and Gabon, West Africa.

Honorable Sims has extensive training and experiences. He is a graduate of Leadership Prince George’s, Inc., a graduate of the University of Maryland College Park Fellow-Academy for Excellence in Local Government (2001); Executive Director, District Height Community Development Corporation (501-c3) and Former Chairman Prince George’s County Solid Waste Advisory Commission (2008-2010). He has served on the Board of Directors for the East Orange VAMC Credit Union and the Washington DC VAMC Credit Union; a member of the Fraternal Order of Police 2F-DC; Knights of Columbus; Honorary Naval Aviator and St. Mary’s Catholic Church Landover, MD. Mayor Sims is retired as Chief, Environmental Management Services from Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Washington, DC after 25 years of service.