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Please join us in celebrating democracy!

Who is the first person who comes to mind when you are asked to name someone who has been a driving force behind bringing about significant and long-lasting change in your community?

- Someone who helped identify an issue that needed attention
- Inspired others to get involved
- Created a plan of action
- Made things happen
- Brought about a meaningful change with far reaching results

This is the person to nominate for the Cathy Bantz Making Democracy Work Award, an award that recognizes and celebrates individuals who see how to make the community better and engage and inspire others in accomplishing the vision. These people lead by example and motivate others to do great things.

The award will be presented by the League of Women Voters of the Greater Dayton Area on February 25, 2010. It is named after Cathy Bantz, a past president of the League and a founding organizer and first Executive Director of Kids Voting. Cathy was often the first person people turned to about issues of social justice or civic equality. Because of her legacy, the League created this award in her memory to honor those who live as she did --- committed to engaging our community and leading efforts that inspire us all to get involved.

Please use the enclosed nomination form, or visit www.league@lwvdayton.org and download the form. Mail your nomination to: **League of Women Voters, Talbott Tower Suite1208 131 North Ludlow Street Dayton, OH 45402-1703**. Nominations are due by December 1, 2009.

Please feel free to share this letter with anyone you think might be interested in nominating someone for the Cathy Bantz Making Democracy Work Award.

Sincerely,

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President
League of Women Voters
of the Greater Dayton Area