

If God Is For Us, Who Can Be Against Us?

We, the colleagues of Nabeehah Shakir, want her family and the Oakland community to know that we mourn the passing of a great woman who contributed much in the struggle for self-determination as an educator, entrepreneur, and active leader in the Oakland Alliance of Black Educators (OABE) who was committed to the [Black Educational Civil Rights Agenda](#) will never be forgotten, and her insistence that "No affiliation, membership, policy or self-interest should ever sell-out an atom's weight of our children's legitimate aspirations," served as a reminder of our responsibility.

We, the members of OABE, so resolve to document our gratitude, respect, and love for Nabeehah, her life, and service.



Whereas, Nabeehah worked in education over 40 years being a fierce advocate for students, particularly students of African Descent, who could not represent themselves; she represented their interests locally and before the U.S. Congress.

Whereas, Nabeehah served on the executive board of OABE for many years.

Whereas, the passing of Nabeehah as a great leader, teacher, and guide has caused a profound sadness within the OABE community.

Whereas, Nabeehah loved her family, served with a gentle spirit of longsuffering, and was willing to give everything within her being for the betterment of children.

Whereas, Nabeehah suffered without complaining and lived in such a manner to touch each and every one of us with her great example of love and acceptance.

Therefore be it resolved, though we can't replace Nabeehah, we will improve and live our lives as demonstrated by the great example she set, persevere in the struggle to which she committed her life, and respond to her motto: "less talk, more action."

Be it further resolved, that the tenacious, creative, and committed spirit of Nabeehah will serve as the guiding precept by which we all should live our lives.

This 16th day in March, 2015.

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