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Dedication of
Historical Marker
for

JONESVILLE

Tuesday, April 10, 2001
2:00 p.m.
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<td>Welcome</td>
<td>Dr. Gary Ransdell, President Western Kentucky University</td>
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<td>Invocation</td>
<td>Rev. Porter Bailey First Baptist Church, Rockfield</td>
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<td>Remarks</td>
<td>Dianne Wells, Manager Historical Highway Marker Program Kentucky Historical Society Sandy Jones, Mayor City of Bowling Green Mike Buchanon, Judge Executive Warren County Jonathan Jeffery Special Collections/Kentucky Library Lancie Meredith, Branch Manager Traffic and Permits Kentucky Transportation Cabinet</td>
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<td>Dedication Address</td>
<td>Bobby W. Austin, President &amp; CEO Village Foundation</td>
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<td>Maxine Ray, Jonesville Historian Graduate Student WKU</td>
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<td>Unveiling of Marker</td>
<td>Jonesville Descendants Fanny M. Loving, Marjorie Butts Dan Taylor, Herschel Austin, Sr.</td>
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This African American community was founded after the Civil War. It was bordered by Dogwood Dr., Russellville Road, and the railroad tracks. The community grew to include several hundred residents, an elementary school, businesses, and two churches. Frame and hand-hewn stone houses lined the streets of Jonesville.

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The lives of most residents of this close African American community revolved around church, school and family activities. In the late 1950s Jonesville was one of two areas in Bowling Green designated for urban renewal. By 1968 the state had acquired the land and sold it to the university.

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Location: Western Kentucky University campus, University Boulevard & US 68/80, Bowling Green, Warren County
Our Gratitude To:

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