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**MARYLAND STATE CONFERENCE NAACP MOURNS PASSING OF LAURA  
COPELAND PAST PRESIDENT OF THE HARFORD COUNTY BRANCH**

It is with great sorrow we inform you of the death of a beloved and fervent civil right activist Laura Copeland, Past President of the Harford County NAACP who died unexpectedly early this morning. Beside her great work in Civil Rights, Ms. Copeland is also remembered as an educator who taught English for years at Aberdeen Middle School.

NAACP Maryland State Conference President, the Honorable Gerald Stansbury stated the following; "she will be best remembered as a tireless crusader for justice by all those who were blessed by her work and dedication to human rights. This is a great loss spiritually and physically for the Harford County as well as the whole NAACP family nationwide. She will be greatly missed."

The NAACP Maryland State Conference extends sincerest sympathy to the Harford County NAACP as well as the Copeland family on this sad occasion.

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