
JUDITH F. DAVIS



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Judith F. “J” Davis is in her 14th term on council. Currently serving as councilmember, J formerly was mayor for 16 years, Greenbelt’s longest continuously serving mayor, and mayor pro tem for eight years. Prior to her election to council, she was appointed to the Advisory Planning Board for 10 years and was chair for four. Recently, J was appointed to the county’s Commission for Women and to the Central Maryland Transportation and Mobility Commission.

After moving to Greenbelt in 1975, J became active in local affairs. A Greenbriar condominium owner, she served on Phase I’s board of directors for 14 years. She was the Labor Day Festival Carnival chair for 18 years. J was on the Project Design Committee for Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Exchange Service (GIVES) and became a charter member and officer.

J has honed her leadership skills and expanded her experience and effectiveness by serving tirelessly in many roles. As mayor, J was the council’s representative to the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) board of directors. In 2005, she was elected chair of its board and, in 2010, was its corporate president. J is a member of COG’s Chesapeake Bay and Water Resources Policy Committee, on which she has served since its inception. Since 2005, J has been appointed to the National League of Cities’ Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Policy Committee. With her focus on environmental issues, J has brought back innovative ideas and best practices to be incorporated by the city. To ensure that Greenbelt remains aware of what is going on in Annapolis, J has served many years on legislative committees.

J served as president of the Maryland Municipal League after 11 terms on its board of directors. She is a past president of the Maryland Mayors Association, the Prince George’s County Municipal Association and the Prince George’s Elected Municipal Women. J strongly advocates Greenbelt’s positions at all governmental levels.

In 2011, Davis was presented COG’s highest honor, the Elizabeth and David Scull Metropolitan Public Service Award. For her environmental work, J was given the Greenbelt Green Man Award in 2010.

J actively supports many Greenbelt organizations, including Friends of the Greenbelt Museum, Friends of Greenbelt Theatre, Golden Age Club, Greenbelt Lions and Greenbelt’s American Legion Auxiliary.

An educator for 35 years, J retired in 1999. J enjoys traveling with her significant other, her sister and her niece.
