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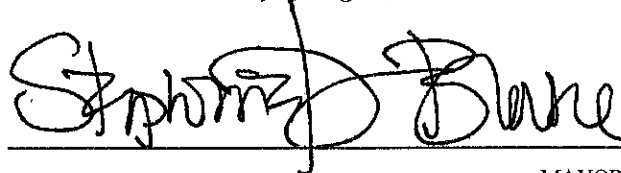
Certificate of Recognition

*On behalf of the citizens of Baltimore, I am pleased
to present this certificate to*

Bernice Layton

*in recognition of your participation in the 2nd
Annual African American Author's Expo. Despite
the struggle blacks have faced to be recognized as
authors, many have contributed to some of the
most important works in American Literature.
Your devotion to cultivating your creative and
intellectual potential and working to excel as an
author makes you most deserving of this
commendation. Congratulations, and best wishes
for your continued success.*

Presented this 13th day of August, two thousand eleven.


A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Stephen J. Blane".

MAYOR

