

## **Jamie E Roberson ~ CMHA Commissioner**

**Ms. Roberson is recognized as one of Columbus Ohio's gifted speaker and housing activist. September 18TH 2014 She received the NARSAAH Resident Commissioner of the year award in Atlanta Ga. Coming from a long association with grass roots work being educated in Boston MA., and under the tutelage of her mother Francena Roberson a teacher in the Boston school system ,who brought her up to understand that "When much is given, much is asked." Working in the Civil Rights Movement of the sixties with her mother who worked also for the Positive Program and the NAACP in Boston. She learned how important being an activist is, and now continues in her mothers footsteps as an activist for low income / families of Ohio and the US. Ms. Roberson continues to work on behalf of senior citizens and low-income family housing as well as the homeless and disabled / veterans population.**

**Appointed by Mayor Michael B. Coleman, of Columbus Ohio. To the Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority Board of Commissioner representing the residents of CMHA, as well as an advocate for COHHIO (Coalition of Homeless and Housing). Ms. Roberson's past positions have been President of CMHA Senior Advisory Board and Resident Counsels, as well as a member of CMAO's Board of Trustees.**

**Jamie has a unique ability to uplift the spirit of oneness in all people. Her love of her children, family, and culture comes as no surprise as she has been actively involved in various aspects of the arts most of her life. As a dancer/teacher with the Mama Lu Parks NYC Savoy Lindy Hop dance company. She is a Keeper of African American Dance Culture. As a singer with The Celebration Choir and the late great Lionel Hampton Band. Her love of writing musical lyrics comes as no surprise. Her poems have earned her poet of the year by the International society of Poets. along with numerous accolades over the years.**

**Ms. Roberson: Will tell you "I am a keeper of the Flame for all to see. That we as a people have come to far to turn around now. We must stand together for our rights in housing, education, and the work force. So our children can walk tall and carry the torch with pride. "**

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