

**MMBA 2006
NORMA F. MOSELEY
HOUSING ADVOCATE OF THE YEAR AWARD**

Acceptance Speech

Thank you to the MMBA and to all its members --especially to Kevin Cuff and Kathy Scheck, who reached out to ESAC over the last year to support our Sustainable Homeownership Center. I congratulate MMBA for taking the lead in recognizing Norma Moseley as one of the genuine heroes of our time.

It is truly an honor for me to receive the Norma Moseley Housing Advocate Award. Norma was a dear friend and trusted colleague. Her life and work continues to be an inspiration to me and countless others who were touched by her extraordinary commitment to social justice and fair housing.

Norma was a caring, dedicated, and hardworking advocate with a fierce intellect and a sharp acumen. She was one of a kind – full of righteous anger one moment and grinning impishly the next. But always, Norma was fearless in her pursuit of what is just, right and equitable.

Norma embodied the spirit of ESAC. “What would Norma do,” guides our work -- as we hope it will guide the work of the MMBA.

Thank you again for this special recognition and for your generous support of the Norma F. Moseley Endowment Fund. I am pleased to accept this award on behalf of Norma, our fine Board of Directors and the exceptional staff at ESAC. Good Night

Robert Pulster
Executive Director
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