

# COMMISSION FOR HISTORICAL STATUES IN THE UNITED STATES CAPITOL MONUMENT SUGGESTION APPLICATION

Virginia's Commission for Historical Statues in the U.S. Capitol is inviting students to submit suggestions for a historical person to represent Virginia in a new statue for placement in the Capitol's National Statuary Hall. The new statue will eventually join one of George Washington and take the place of a statue of Robert E. Lee that the commission recommended removing during a public hearing in August.

**DEADLINE TO SUBMIT IS NOVEMBER 27, 2020.**

**The replacement statue must:**

- be a deceased person.
- have been a citizen of the United States (indigenous peoples who predate US qualify).
- be illustrious for historic renown or for distinguished civic or military service.
- represent only one individual.

**In addition, the person should possess one or more of the following values and/or attributes:**

- association with significant events that changed the course of history.
- association with significant ideals, writings, and/or intellectual thought.
- exemplification of valor, patriotism, bravery.
- the subject's primary historical significance should be tied to Virginia directly or they should have spent the majority of their life in the state.
- the person should not be in conflict with current prevailing values.

**Nomination Process:**

Nominations may be made via email to: [uscapitolcommission@dhr.virginia.gov](mailto:uscapitolcommission@dhr.virginia.gov) or by mail to: US Capitol Commission, DHR, 2801 Kensington Avenue, Richmond, VA 23221 or verbally at a virtual public hearing on November 17th.

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**MY SUGGESTION FOR THE NEW MONUMENT**

L- Douglas Wilder

**HOW DOES THIS PERSON FIT THE CRITERIA?**

He was the first African-American to serve as governor in America.

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