January 8, 2014

Pictured left to right are Councilwoman Valerie M. Cartright, her brother Reginald Cartright and the Honorable Judge John Andrew Kay.

Port Jefferson Station resident begins her first term on Brookhaven Town Board

Farmingville, NY - On January 7, Councilwoman Valerie M. Cartright was sworn in during a ceremony held in the auditorium at Brookhaven Town Hall. The Councilwoman, who was elected to office in November 2013, represents Council District 1, which includes Stony Brook, Setauket, East Setauket, Port Jefferson Station, Terryville and the Incorporated Villages of Port Jefferson, Old Field, Poquott and Belle Terre. She was recently assigned by Supervisor Ed Romaine to serve as Town Board Liaison to Environmental Protection, the Town Clerk and Utilities. He also appointed Councilwoman Cartright as Liaison for Black History Month. As a member of the Brookhaven Town Board, Councilwoman Cartright will focus on quality of life issues, environmental initiatives, and providing increased transparency in local government. Most importantly, Councilwoman Cartright encourages all of her constituents to contact her office with any questions or concerns and to sign up to receive updated information about your community by joining the mailing list on the Council District 1 page found at www.brookhaven.org. Her goal is to increase meaningful communication between constituents and the Town of Brookhaven.

"I am honored and excited at the opportunity to serve and be the voice of Council District 1. I look forward to entering 2014 with my constituents, a year of progress, productivity, and purpose."

A resident of Port Jefferson Station, Councilwoman Cartright is an attorney who received her Juris Doctorate from Touro College Jacob D. Fuschberg Law Center in Suffolk County, after receiving her undergraduate degree in International Studies from West Virginia University. During her legal career, she has earned numerous awards for academic excellence, contributions and service to the law school and legal community. Councilwoman Cartright is also an Adjunct Instructor at St. Joseph's College in Patchogue, where she teaches a "Leadership, Law and Ethics" course.

To learn more about Councilwoman Valerie M. Cartright at www.brookhaven.org. To contact the Councilwoman's office, please call 631-451-6963 or e-mail councilwomancartright@brookhaven.org.