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## WILLIAMSBURG CITY COUNCILMAN BOBBY BRAXTON NAMED HONORARY CHAIRMAN FOR FIRST NIGHT 2008

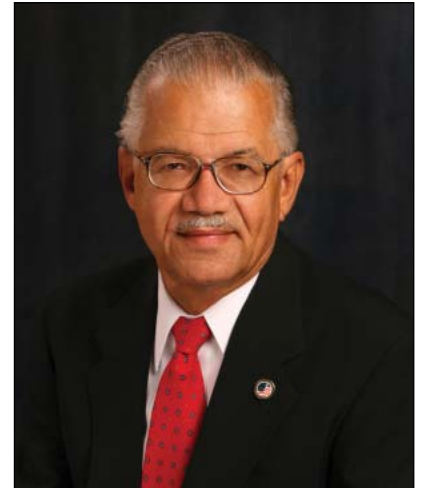
**Williamsburg, VA, Nov. 27** – Williamsburg

City Councilman Robert "Bobby" Braxton has been named First Night–Williamsburg's Honorary Chairman for this year's celebration. First Night has become a 15-year Williamsburg tradition of alcohol-free entertainment on New Year's Eve.

Bobby Braxton has a long history of service to Williamsburg and other communities where he has lived. He served as the Chairman of the Board of Trustees at his church in Columbia, MD, for 15 years. He is a member of the First Baptist Church in Williamsburg, the Kiwanis Club of Williamsburg, the Rotary and the Big Brothers/Big Sisters Program. He is also a Sector Captain in the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) for his neighborhood.

Bobby's professional experience includes work in both the financial management and engineering fields for Westinghouse Electric (now Northrop Grumman). He has taught as an adjunct community college professor in Baltimore and is a veteran of the United States Air Force.

Braxton is excited about serving as First Night's Honorary Chairman, since the celebration promotes two facets of his work on the City Council—protecting the public's safety and bringing communities together. "First Night is a chance to spend some time with your friends and neighbors, and to do it in a safe, family-friendly environment," he said. "That is what living in Williamsburg is all about."



*Bobby Braxton*

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**Bobby Braxton Named First Night's Honorary Chairman**

Braxton helped lead one of the most exciting revitalization efforts in Williamsburg when he served on the Braxton Court Neighborhood Revitalization Management Team, which implemented a \$2 million grant program to refurbish homes and infrastructure on Braxton Court. Named for his family, Braxton Court is still home to Bobby and his wife, Hazel; his brother, David, and his family; granddaughter Ashley and Bobby's mother, Clemenza. Bobby and Hazel are currently restoring their home, which was built by Bobby's grandfather.

"I hope you will join me at First Night," Braxton said. "It will have everything a great celebration should—fantastic entertainment by local musicians and performers, good food and fun for the kids. See you there!"

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