

African Arts Committee



April 3, 1981

The Honorable Earl B. Gilliam, Elder
Judge of U. S. Federal Court
940 Front Street
San Diego, California 92101

Dear Judge Gilliam:

The African Arts Committee requests the honor of your presence and service as an Elder of San Diego in the first RITES DE PASSAGE celebration from 3 to 5 o'clock, Sunday afternoon, April 26, 1981, in Copley Auditorium at the San Diego Museum of Art, Balboa Park.

RITES DE PASSAGE is an initiation of the coming of age of young people incorporating African art forms of sculpture, apparel, music and dance. It will be the culmination of a 13 week study of African life and culture by 22 boys and girls from 12 to 15 years of age.

As an Elder you will be joined by 21 other distinguished San Diegans to introduce one of the young people at the conclusion of the ceremony and to present him or her with a gift which will be provided. The common element is a recognition of the transition from adolescence to adult standing in the community.

We feel that you will be able to offer a most significant contribution to the future of these young people by presenting them in this way. We hope you will be able to participate. Please reply to either Quincella Kimbrough (262-5305) or Earl W. Saunders (461-0435) or write us at our home addresses as indicated below. We will provide detailed information later, but are happy to answer any questions you might have in the meantime.

Most cordially yours,

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