



*Inauguration of the Mayor  
Members of the City Council  
City Judge*



*Saturday, December 16, 2023  
10:30 a.m.  
Main Assembly Room  
City County Building*



Thank you for trusting me to lead  
our great city for another four years!

Serving as your Mayor is one of my  
greatest honors, and the responsibility  
you have entrusted me with, is not  
something I take lightly.

Knoxville is resilient, welcoming,  
and a great place to call home.

Thank you for your support. I look  
forward to continuing our work  
together.



# Program

WELCOME

WILLIAM MENDOZA-EUCEDA, STUDENT  
CAREER MAGNET ACADEMY  
MASTER OF CEREMONIES

INVOCATION

REV. CHRIS BUICE, SENIOR MINISTER  
TENNESSEE VALLEY UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

PRESENTATION OF COLORS

KNOXVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT  
HONOR GUARD

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

WEST HILLS ELEMENTARY STUDENTS  
PRINCIPAL DR. AMY BRACE

NATIONAL ANTHEM

CAPTAIN PAUL TRUMPORE, CHAPLAIN  
KNOXVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT

INTRODUCTIONS

WILLIAM MENDOZA-EUCEDA, STUDENT  
CAREER MAGNET ACADEMY  
MASTER OF CEREMONIES

PRESENTATION OF  
CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

THE HONORABLE LYNNE FUGATE  
OATH ADMINISTERED BY  
THE HONORABLE DEBORAH C. STEVENS  
KNOX COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

THE HONORABLE DEBBIE HELSLEY  
OATH ADMINISTERED BY  
THE HONORABLE SHARON LEE  
TENNESSEE STATE SUPREME COURT JUSTICE

THE HONORABLE AMELIA PARKER  
OATH ADMINISTERED BY  
THE HONORABLE JOHN R. ROSSON, JR.  
KNOXVILLE MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE

THE HONORABLE CHARLES THOMAS  
OATH ADMINISTERED BY  
THE HONORABLE JOHN R. ROSSON, JR.  
KNOXVILLE MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE

PRESENTATION OF  
CITY JUDGE

THE HONORABLE TYLER CAVINESS  
OATH ADMINISTERED BY  
THE HONORABLE SHARON LEE  
TENNESSEE STATE SUPREME COURT JUSTICE

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## *Program (cont.)*

INTRODUCTION OF  
MAYOR KINCANNON

WILLIAM MENDOZA-EUCEDA, STUDENT  
CAREER MAGNET ACADEMY  
MASTER OF CEREMONIES

PRESENTATION OF THE MAYOR  
OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE

THE HONORABLE INDYA KINCANNON  
OATH ADMINISTERED BY  
THE HONORABLE SHARON LEE  
TENNESSEE STATE SUPREME COURT JUSTICE

INAUGURAL ADDRESS

THE HONORABLE INDYA KINCANNON  
MAYOR OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE

POEM

JOSEPH "BLACK ATTICUS" WOODS  
CITY OF KNOXVILLE'S POET LAUREATE

BENEDICTION

REV. DR. MEREDITH LOFTIS, ASSOCIATE PASTOR  
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## *City Council Members*

LYNNE FUGATE, AT-LARGE SEAT A  
DEBBY HELSLEY, AT-LARGE SEAT B  
AMELIA PARKER, AT-LARGE SEAT C  
TOMMY SMITH, FIRST DISTRICT  
ANDREW ROBERTO, SECOND DISTRICT  
SEEMA SINGH, THIRD DISTRICT  
LAUREN RIDER, FOURTH DISTRICT  
CHARLES THOMAS, FIFTH DISTRICT  
GWEN MCKENZIE, SIXTH DISTRICT

## *Special Thanks*

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