

JoAnn Johnson Trail

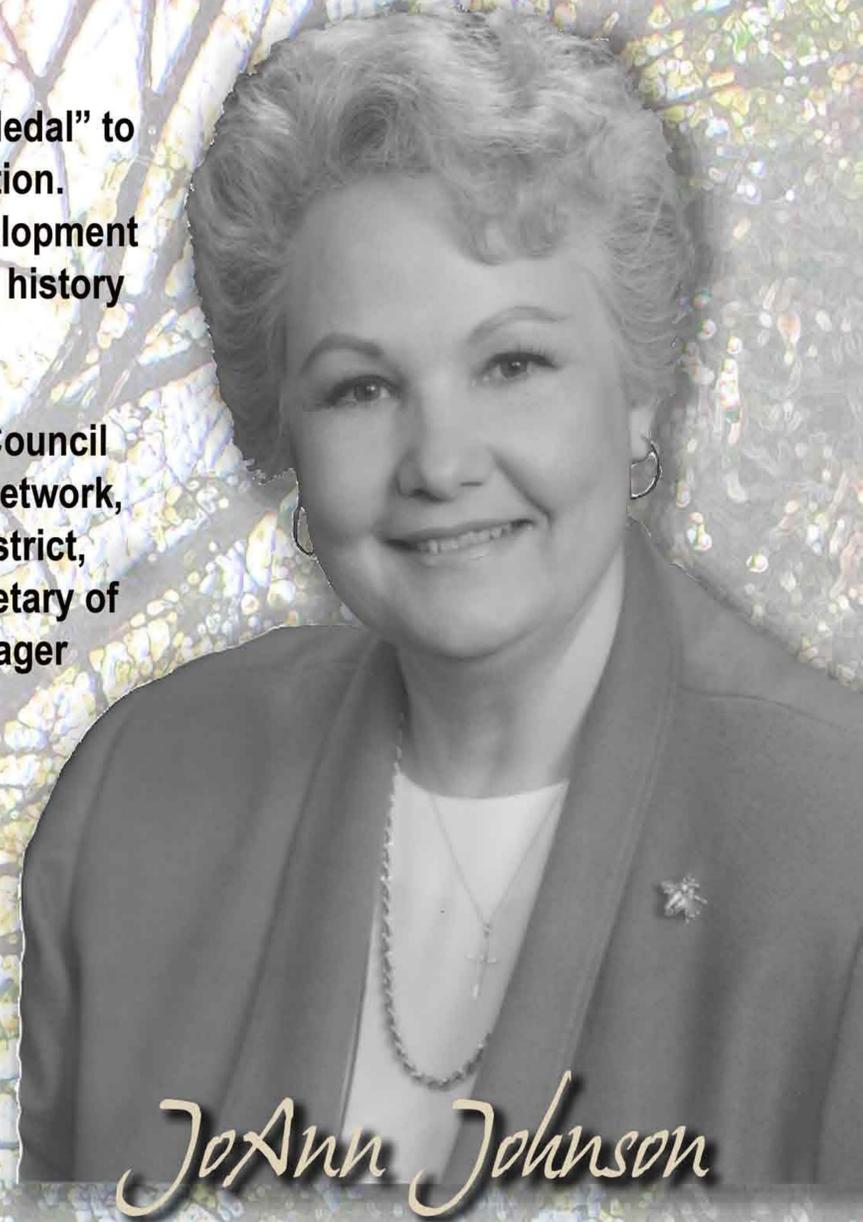
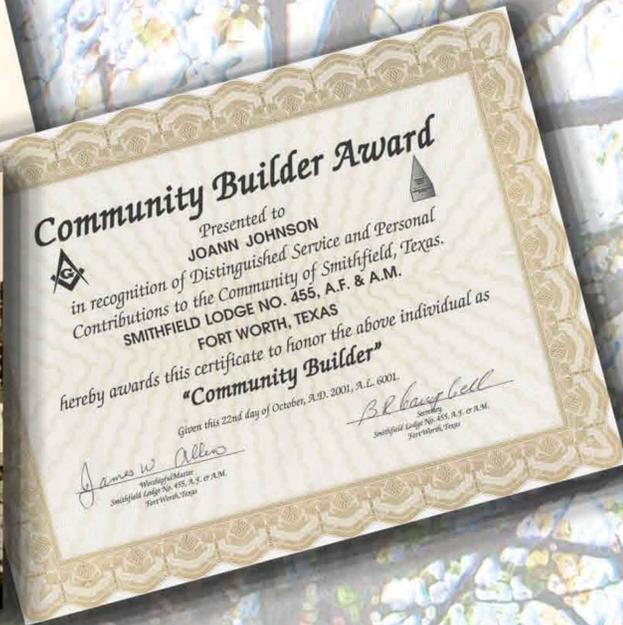
JoAnn Johnson and her husband James chose North Richland Hills to make their home and raise their family in 1965. JoAnn was first elected to the City Council in 1991 and became the first female Mayor Pro-Tem in North Richland Hills in 1995. In May, 2006, after 15 years of service, she retired from the City Council with the distinction as the longest-serving Council member in North Richland Hills' history.



During her tenure, the city's population doubled. In 1992, with only four parks and little resources to address the needs of the park system, JoAnn Johnson, along with other Council members advocated and supported a voter approved half-cent sales tax to improve parks. When JoAnn retired in 2006, North Richland Hills was home to over twenty parks and eleven miles of trails, all made possible by the half-cent sales tax.

In 2000, the National Recreation and Park Association awarded the "National Gold Medal" to the city, recognizing North Richland Hills as one of the best park systems in the Nation. Along with her work with Parks and Recreation, JoAnn was instrumental in the development of the city's first "History Book." JoAnn recognized the importance of honoring our history while looking forward to our future.

JoAnn has earned a reputation for dedication to the community. In addition to her Council service, she has served on the advisory committee of the Cornerstone Assistance Network, the Boulevard 26 Redevelopment Committee, NRH Crime Control and Prevention District, Texas Municipal League Legislative Committee, Secretary of CONET, and served over 20 years as Production Manager for the greater Fort Worth Christmas Pageant.



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"To the citizens of North Richland Hills, thank you for trusting me with your votes from 1991-2006" JoAnn Johnson