

# ***City of Cayce Unveiling New Historical Monument***

## *Earthworks Monument to be Revealed at Congaree Creek*



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**CAYCE, SC – [The City of Cayce](#) is excited to announce the unveiling of the new Congaree Creek Earthworks Monument on Friday, February 13, 2015 at 2:00pm.**

The historical earthworks were constructed in early 1865 and were the site of brisk fighting between the Union XV Corps and Confederate forces on Feb. 15, 1865. Over 750 free and enslaved African Americans who were impressed into the Confederate service built much of the defensive line, running from Congaree Creek to the Saluda Factory nearly four miles away.

Members of the State Historic Preservation Office along with the Mayor of Cayce Elise Partin and members of the SC African American Heritage Commission will speak at the unveiling event.

[Cayce Mayor Elise Partin](#) stated, "When you look at the feat that was accomplished in rainy conditions without many tools by people who were not given a choice this monument is important in recognizing the strength and hard work of those involved and telling their story."

Volunteers will be onsite Friday to direct the public to the monument site right after the bridge on Timmerman. Parking will be at the Cayce Fitness & Tennis Center. Everyone is encouraged and welcome to stay for the Battlefield tour afterwards at 3pm.

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*The City of Cayce is located on the banks of the Congaree River in the heart of the Midlands of South Carolina. Cayce has a Council-Manager form of government, and the members of the City Council meet the first Tuesday of each month at 6:00 pm at City Hall. The city has several public event venues and parks. The beautiful [Cayce Riverwalk Park](#) has more than 46 acres of river park area and 4 miles of scenic walkways. For more information, visit [www.cityofcayce-sc](http://www.cityofcayce-sc).*