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Collection Name (Title): **McNeil, Ogretta Political Papers**

Dates of Material: **1997-2005**

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Arrangement: **Chronological**

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Related Material:

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**Biography/History:** Ogretta Humphries Vaughn McNeil was one of the first African-Americans hired at the National Institute of Mental Health in Bethesda, Maryland. She was the first black women to receive a PhD in psychology at Clark University, the first black faculty member at Assumption College and the first black associate professor at Holy Cross College in 1971. McNeil has won numerous awards in her lifetime due to her passion for community service and learning. After retiring from Holy Cross, her passion remained for education and she was elected to the Worcester School Committee in 1997, 1999, 2001, 2003 and 2005.

**Scope and Content Note:** This collection contains records relating to McNeil’s political campaigns. It includes correspondence, records of meetings, lists of campaign contributors, fundraisers and financial records, elections returns and miscellaneous other records that describe a local political campaign. The records are arranged chronologically by campaign.

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Box 7: Campaign 2001
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Folder 5: Comments, Forum Notes, Speeches
Folder 6: Correspondence
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Folder 10: Education Committee Meeting
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