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PHOTO BY DONOVAN M. SMITH/ THE PORTLAND OBSERVER Participants of a rally of upwards of 1,000 people gather in downtown Portland Saturday to commemorate the historic March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom 50 years ago. A host of civil rights issues were addressed.

# ALegacy of Activism

Tribute speaks to civil rights issues of yesterday and today

#### BY DONOVAN M. SMITH THE PORTLAND OBSERVER

Portland commemorated the 50 year anniversary of the March on Washington Saturday, bringing upwards of 1,000 people to a downtown march and rally.

The racial makeup of the participating people and organizations were varied, but it was clear early on that many of the issues of the day were closely parallel to the fight for jobs and freedom that civil rights leaders fought for 50 years ago.

Keeping in line with the conviction of the late Dr. Martin

Luther King Jr., the march remained peaceful as people strung through downtown escorted by Portland Police. The remainder of the day took place at Waterfront Park.

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