

PepsiCo honors Bill Jackson with a banner and his picture on a can of Pepsi for his 50 years of service as an employee at the company's distribution center in northeast Portland.

Honored for 50 Years of Service

Bill Jackson, a lifetime member of Portland's African American community, is being honored for 50 years of service with PepsiCo.

"Bill, thank you for your dedication to this company and your community. May we all gain inspiration from your incredible legacy here at PesiCo," a company proclamation declared.

Jackson has a passion for giving back by mentoring under-privileged black children in the community as well as mentoring new hires at Pepsi for the past 40 years. He is also a leader for driving conversations on race in Portland and the workplace, making sure the topic is addressed in an appropriate manner and helping to ensure different perspectives have been considered.

Up until five years ago, Jackson held two jobs, as a nigh loader with Pepsi, and security for Portland Public Schools. Since then, he has maintained his fulltime Pepsi job on dayshift as a replenisher, checker and transport unloader.

"He truly exemplifies the meaning of 'hard work, and for the first 30 years of his career, worked full time with Pepsi at night and also worked fulltime at Fred Meyer during the day," company officials said.

Jackson also was recently honored by having a new street named for him, inside the re-developed five block area for Pesi-Co's new distribution center north of Sandy Boulevard, between Northeast 25th and 27th Avenues, which also includes new space for housing.

Before joining Pepsi in 1970, Jackson served in the U.S. Marine Corps.



Bill Jackson is pictured in front of the new street named in his honor for the redevelopment of a PepsiCo distribution center inside a 5-block area north of Sandy Boulevard, between 25th and 27th Avenues that also includes new space for housing. Jackson has been an employee for the company since 1970