

## Andrea Kidd Taylor, DrPH, MSPH

Beyond Pesticides is saddened by the passing of Andrea Kidd Taylor, DrPH, MSPH, a treasured board member and friend. Dr. Andrea Kidd Taylor was a long time member of Beyond Pesticides' Board of Directors, serving from 2006. Dr. Taylor was an assistant professor at the Morgan State University School of Public Health and Policy in Baltimore, Maryland, and an adjunct faculty member at Howard University's College of Medicine and the George Meany Center National Labor College. She had more



than 20 years of experience in occupational and environmental health and safety. In November 1998, Dr. Taylor was appointed by President Clinton and confirmed by the U.S. Senate to serve a five year term on the U.S. Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board (CSB), a board established under the Clean Air Act Amendment of 1990 to investigate chemical accidents at fixed facilities (patterned after the NTSB). She served one year as the Board's chief spokesperson; and she chaired and conducted the Board's business meetings. Prior to her appointment to the board, Dr. Taylor worked as an industrial hygienist and occupational health policy consultant for the International Union, United Automobile, Aerospace, and Agricultural Implement Workers of America (UAW) in Detroit, Michigan. She was experienced in conducting in-plant health and safety investigations of various manufacturing facilities, and providing health and safety education to employees regarding the health hazards associated with their jobs. She was also involved in writing and editing numerous health and safety documents, including labor contracts, and testifying at government hearings on implementing various workplace standards. She authored many publications, including articles that highlighted minority workers and disease and injury prevention.

Dr. Taylor received a Doctorate of Public Health degree (DrPH - 1989) in health policy, with a focus on occupational health from the Johns Hopkins University Bloomberg School of Public Health in Baltimore, Maryland. She also has a Masters of Science degree in Public Health (MSPH - 1982) in industrial hygiene from the University of Alabama in Birmingham, and a Bachelors of Science degree (BS - 1976) from Howard University in Washington, D.C.

Dr. Taylor formerly served as a member of the U.S. Presidential Advisory Committee on Gulf War Veterans' Illnesses, an independent advisory committee established by President Clinton to review and provide recommendations on the full range of government activities related to Gulf War Veterans' illnesses. She also served for four years as a health representative on the National Advisory Committee on Occupational Safety and Health (NACOSH), a committee established by the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 to advise the secretaries of labor and health and human services on occupational safety and health programs and policies. Her professional memberships and affiliations included the American Public Health Association, the Association of Occupational and Environmental Health Clinics, and the American Industrial Hygiene Association.