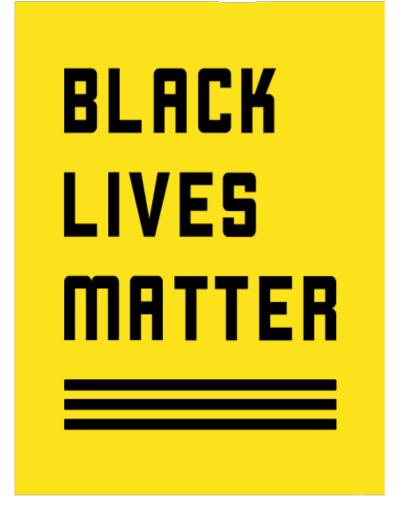# Viola Desmond

Canada's Rosa Parks

July 6, 1914 – February 7, 1965

Viola Desmond was a civil rights activist born and raised in Halifax Nova Scotia. She is known for her fight against racial segregation which helped spark the civil rights movement in Canada. Viola Desmond is now featured on the ten-dollar bill as the first woman to be featured alone on a Canadian bank note.