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**11th Annual Black Women’s Roundtable
Power of Black Women Public Policy Forum Series @ CBCF ALC**

***TOPIC: Power of the Sister Vote and Leadership: Centering A Racial & Gender Justice
Agenda in 2020 and Beyond***

Wednesday, September 11, 2019

2:00 pm – 5:15 pm

Washington Convention Center, 801 Mt. Vernon Place, NW, Room 146C, Washington, DC 20001

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AGENDA

BWR INTERNATIONAL POWER TABLE ONE

2:00 pm – 3:40 pm

The 2019 BWR Policy Forum kicks off with a presentation of the 5th Annual BWR/ESSENCE *Power of the Sister Vote (POSV) Poll* results on what Black women identify as the most important issues impacting Black America; which 2020 presidential candidates they would vote for if the election were held today; and share what they believe is most threatening to U.S. democracy. An expert panel of Black women leaders will serve as respondents to the POSV Poll and share their insight and expertise on the importance of centering a justice agenda for Black women, families and communities to live their best lives including *racial, gender, economic, criminal, health, environmental & reproductive justice, civil rights, educational equity and more.*

Welcome/Opening Remarks

Melanie L. Campbell, President & CEO, NCBCP, National Convener, Black Women’s Roundtable (BWR)

Diane Babineaux, Vice Chair of the Board, NCBCP

Inspiration/Moment of Silence on 18th Anniversary of 9-11

Rev. Leslye Dwight, Minister of Social Justice, Community of Hope AME, Temple Hills, MD

Co-Host/Partner Greetings

Menna Demessie, Vice President of Policy Analysis & Research, Congressional Black Caucus Foundation

Yesha Callahan, Editorial Director, News & Politics, ESSENCE

Tanya L. Lombard, Head of Multi-Cultural, AT & T, Board Member, NCBCP

Shani Hosten, Vice President, Multi-Cultural Leadership, African American/Black Strategy, AARP

Remarks

Congresswoman Karen Bass (CA-37), Chair, Congressional Black Caucus

Update on Hurricane Relief for The People of The Bahamas

Barbara Perkins, President & CEO, International Black Women's Public Policy Network

Overview of the 2019 BWR/ESSENCE Poll V

Dr. Avis Jones-DeWeever, Founder, Exceptional Women's Leadership Institute, Senior Advisor, BWR

Dr. Elsie Scott, Founding Director, Ronald W. Walters Leadership & Public Policy Center, Howard University

RESPONDENTS TO POLL

Civil Rights, Racial, Gender & Criminal Justice Experts

Menna Demessie, Vice President of Policy Analysis & Research, Congressional Black Caucus Foundation

Glenda Gill, Vice President, Supplier Success, LLC, Founder, Save A Girl, Save A World

Tamika Mallory, Co-Chair, Women's March

Janice Mathis, Esq., Executive Director, National Council of Negro Women

Ebonie Riley, Washington Bureau Chief, National Action Network

Alfreda Robinson, President, National Bar Association

Stacey Long Simmons, Esq., Director of Public Policy and Government Affairs, National LGBTQ Task Force

RESPONDENTS TO POLL

Economic, Health, Environmental & Reproductive Justice & Educational Equity Experts

Judy Beard, Legislative and Political Director, American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO

Kristen Broady, Dean, College of Business, Dillard University

Felicia Davis, Convener, Clayton County GA BWR, Director, HBCU Green Fund @ CAU

Rosemary Enobakhare, Campaign Director, Health Care Vote

Letetia Daniels Jackson, Senior Advisor, Reproductive Justice Policy, BWR

Carol Joyner, Director, Labor Project for Working Families, Family Values @ Work

Rev. Dr. Judith C. Moore, Convener, Pittsburgh/Mon Valley BWR, Executive Director, Sisters Saving Ourselves Now

Adaku Onyeka-Crawford is Director of Educational Equity and Senior Counsel at the National Women's Law Center

Barbara Perkins, President & CEO, International Black Women's Public Policy Network

Becky Pringle, Vice President, National Education Association

The Honorable Sheila Tyson, Convener, Alabama BWR, Commissioner, Jefferson County Commission

Cassandra Welchlin, Co-Convener & State Organizer, Mississippi Black Women's Roundtable

BWR INTERGENERATIONAL POWER TABLE TWO

3:45 pm – 5:15 pm

Panelists will share the role, power & influence of Black women's leadership in philanthropy, civic engagement and political power building that centers a racial & gender justice agenda to bring about economic and social change in Black America. Panelists will also share key strategies they are deploying to leverage the *power and impact of the Black women and youth (Gen Z & Millennial) vote* in the 2020 Presidential Election Cycle and ensure the Black population is counted fairly in the 2020 Decennial Census.

SEGMENT ONE TOPIC: The Power of Black Women's Leadership in Philanthropy to Elevate Civil Rights, Voting Rights, Economic, Racial & Gender Justice; and Women & Girls Empowerment

Panelists

Michelle DuBois, Founding Partner, Values Partnerships

Tanya Clay House, Senior Program Officer for Voting Rights, State Infrastructure Fund, NEO Philanthropy

Tomeka Hart, Senior Program Officer, U. S. Policy, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

Tisha Hyter, Vice President of Development, TIME'S UP

Katlynn Jackson, Director, Community Partnerships, Public Affairs & Communications, The Coca-Cola Company

Kimberly Jeffries Leonard, Ph.D., National President, The Links & The Links Foundation

Tynesha McHarris, Program Officer, Advancing Adolescent Adolescent Girls' Rights Initiative, NoVo Foundation

Joi L. Owens, Esq., Senior Gulf Coast Policy Advisor, Oxfam America

SEGMENT TWO TOPIC: The Power of Black Women's Leadership in Leveraging the "Power of the Sister Vote" and Being Counted in 2020

Cora Masters Barry, Political Strategist, Board Member, NCBCP, Former First Lady of the District of Columbia

Ebony Baylor, Director of Civic Engagement, National Urban League

Latosha Brown, Co-Founder, Black Voters Matter

Helen Butler, Convener, Georgia BWR, Executive Director, The Peoples' Agenda

Melanie Campbell, President & CEO, NCBCP, Convener, BWR

Alejandra Y. Castillo, CEO, YWCA

Oleta Fitzgerald, Regional Administrator, Southern Rural Black Women's Initiative, Director, CDF Southern Regional Office

Heather Foster, President, Sugarwood, LLC, Co-Author, West Wingers

Holli Holliday, Esq., Senior Political & Data Advisor, NCBCP, President,

The Honorable Helen Holton, Executive Director, National Association of Black County Officials

Sheila E. Isong, National Political Director, Civic Engagement, NAACP

Minyon Moore, Author, Co-Convener, Power Rising

The Honorable Stephanie Moore, Co-Convener, Michigan BWR, Commissioner, Kalamazoo County Commission

Acacia Newsome, Intern/Project Assistant, Black Youth Vote/BWR, NCBCP

Tameka Ramsey, Co-Convener, Michigan BWR, Interim Executive Director, Michigan Voice

Deborah Scott, Executive Director, Georgia Stand UP

Candi Castleberry Singleton, Vice President, Diversity Partnership Strategy, Twitter

Robin Williams, Vice President, Director, Civil Rights & Community Action, United Food & Commercial Workers Union

Dr. Barbara Williams-Skinner, Co-Chair, National African American Clergy Network, Co-Chair, Unity Diaspora Coalition

Closing Remarks/Announcements

Tonya Tyson, Special Assistant to President/CEO & Events Manager, NCBCP

Adjourn

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