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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
Katlyn 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 Castileberry 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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