



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

HOUSING DIVISION

Milwaukee County



September 5, 2017

Members of the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors
Milwaukee County Courthouse
901 North 9th Street, Room 201
Milwaukee, WI 53233

Re: Nicole Brookshire, Candidate for Milwaukee County Office on African American Affairs

Dear Mr. Chairman and Supervisors,

I am writing on behalf of Nicole Brookshire, candidate for the position of Executive Director, Office on African American Affairs.

I have personally worked with Nicole when she was employed with the City of Milwaukee Community Development Grants Administration. Ms. Brookshire was in a leadership position there having ran the Milwaukee Continuum of Care and she did an excellent job of working with different non-profits and local governments with the goal of reducing homelessness. I also worked closely with Nicole on the Milwaukee County Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) Consortium where the City of Milwaukee acted as the Lead Agency.

The prospect of working with Nicole as the Director of the Office on African American Affairs is exciting for my Division due to her background in real estate and housing. Nicole is very goal orientated and results focused. We have discussed some shared goals of focusing on fair housing issues and the issue of segregation throughout Milwaukee County and increasing opportunities for families. I believe that our two Divisions would be able to form a close partnership to work on these issues.

Ms. Brookshire has shown a dedication to our community and I strongly believe that Nicole is the right choice to lead the Office on African American Affairs. I urge the County Board to vote in the affirmative for her appointment. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "J Mathy".

James Mathy
Adminstrator

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