

## OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

## Milwaukee County

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DATE:

September 5, 2017

TO:

Theodore Lipscomb, Sr., Chairman, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

FROM:

Chris Abele, County Executive

SUBJECT:

Appointment of Nicole Brookshire

Pursuant to Sec. 59.17(2) Wis. Stats, and subject to confirmation by the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors, I am pleased to appoint Mrs. Nicole Brookshire to the position of Executive Director of the Office on African American Affairs.

Mrs. Brookshire most recently served as the Vice President of Operations for Junior Achievement of Wisconsin, overseeing a \$5.4 million annual budget and over 70 employees. Under her leadership, Junior Achievement improved its per-dollar value and increased revenue. Previously, Brookshire served as the Grants Compliance Manager for the City of Milwaukee Community Development Grants Administration, where she administered annual budgets in the \$10-\$16 million range, standardized grant reapplication processes to bolster grantee accountability, and enhanced the City of Milwaukee and Milwaukee County Continuum of Care. Mrs. Brookshire has a track record of working with different non-profits and local governments, resulting in success placement into permanent affordable housing, reducing homelessness during her tenure, and increasing access opportunities for families.

In her short tenure with Milwaukee County, Nicole has made it a priority to develop strong partnerships with local community organizations, specifically those which support the African American community. As noted by her numerous letters of support, she remains focused on establishing a solid framework for the office as well as sustainable strategic plan.

I have every confidence that Mrs. Brookshire will provide the leadership needed for Milwaukee County. I urge you to give this appointment your favorable consideration.

Chris Abele

Milwaukee County Executive

cc:

County Board of Supervisors

Kelly Bablitch, Chief of Staff, Board of Supervisors

Nicole Brookshire

George Christenson, Milwaukee County Clerk