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

Re: Confirmation of Nicole Brookshire, Executive Director Office on African American Affairs

Dear Supervisors,

I am writing to express my support for the appointment of Nicole Brookshire to the position of Executive Director of the Office on African American Affairs.

Ms. Brookshire has shown a steadfast dedication to the Milwaukee community throughout her career, serving most recently as the Vice President of Operations for Junior Achievement of Wisconsin, leveraging an annual budget of \$5.4 million to ensure that Junior Achievement's partnerships with Milwaukee schools met the needs of every student served. Prior to this position, Ms. Brookshire served as the Grants Compliance Manager for the City of Milwaukee Community Development Grants Administration, managing annual budgets of up to \$16 million and ensuring that the city's NSP funding provided effective relief to those neighborhoods most in need.

Throughout her career, Ms. Brookshire has shown the ability to affect real change within Milwaukee County, and I am confident that she will continue to do so as the Executive Director of the Office on African American Affairs. She has shown thoughtful and innovative leadership, as well as a commitment to effective collaboration, all of which are necessary in lessening Milwaukee County's racial disparity and addressing critical issues facing the county's African American community. For these reasons, I urge the County Board to confirm Ms. Brookshire without delay.

Thank you for your consideration.



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