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Milwaukee County Board Chairman Theo Lipscomb &
Milwaukee County Board
Milwaukee County Courthouse
901 North 9th Street, RM 201
Milwaukee, WI 53233

Dear Chairman Lipscomb and County Supervisors:

It is my pleasure to offer this letter of support for the Nicole Brookshire in the position of Executive Director of the County Office on African American Affairs (OAAA). The Metropolitan Milwaukee Fair Housing Council (MMFHC) has been supportive of the concept and implementation of the OAAA since former Supervisor Rainey proposed its formation a few years ago. We believe Ms. Brookshire will be an asset to Milwaukee County in realizing the goals of OAAA.

As the state of Wisconsin's leading organization dedicated to ensuring open and fair housing for all, we were very pleased to collaborate with Milwaukee County's OAAA for its community input sessions regarding the OAAA's formation. Due to metropolitan Milwaukee's racial hyper-segregation, MMFHC believes it is imperative the County leads the efforts to build bridges between existing departments, organizations and other stakeholders to best address the root causes of the challenges facing African Americans in Milwaukee.

This is why MMFHC enthusiastically supports OAAA under the leadership of Nicole Brookshire. We look forward to continuing to work closely with OAAA to remove barriers to equal housing opportunities in Milwaukee County.

MMFHC urges the Milwaukee County Board to confirm Ms. Brookshire as director Milwaukee County's OAAA. If you should have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

William R. Tisdale,
President and CEO