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NAACP CONVENES BLACK ORGANIZATION COLLABORATIVE MEETING FOR DC SOCIAL JUSTICE LEADERS

WASHINGTON, D.C. – The NAACP DC Branch will convene the **Black Organization Collaborative** meeting on Monday, August 23, 2021 at 6:30pm on ZOOM. Originated in 2007, the NAACP Black Organization Collaborative galvanizes the Presidents, Chairs, Executive Directors and Senior Leaders of the DC-based organizations and DC Chapters of national organizations committed to addressing issues facing the DC black community. The Black Organization Collaborative strategically, implements political, educational, economic and social justice initiatives affecting DC's African-American community while utilizing collective power to achieve more together than individual organizations could achieve separately.

Over 40 organizations have confirmed participation in the 2021 convening of the Black Organization Collaborative. Confirmed organizations, include:

1. Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Xi Omega Chapter
2. Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc, Alpha Lambda Chapter
3. APPEAL
4. Black Business Task Force
5. Black Lives Matter DC
6. Black Millennials for Flint
7. Black Swan Academy
8. Black Women for Positive Change
9. Blacks In Government (BIG)
10. Blacks In Law Enforcement of America
11. Center for Black Equity
12. Children's Environmental Health Network
13. Community Engagement Environmental Justice & Health
14. Concerned Black Men
15. Congressional Black Associates
16. Darfur Women Action Group
17. DC Black History Celebration Committee
18. DC Justice Lab
19. Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Federal City Alumnae Chapter
20. Far Southeast Family Strengthening Collaborative
21. Genuine Sisters Supporting Sisters
22. Greater Washington Urban League
23. HBCU Alumni Alliance, DC Metro Chapter
24. Hustlaz 2 Harvesterz
25. IMPULSE Group
26. Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia
27. National Action Network
28. National Black United Front
29. National Coalition of 100 Black Women, DC Chapter
30. National Pan-Hellenic Council, DC Chapter
31. Order of the Eastern Star, Georgiana Thomas Grand Chapter
32. Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., Sigma Sigma Sigma Chapter
33. Senate Black Legislative Staff Caucus
34. The Chisolm Legacy Project
35. Urban League, Thursday Network
36. Washington Association of Black Journalists
37. Washington Bar Association
38. Washington Lawyer's Committee for Civil Rights and Urban Affairs
39. Washington Teacher's Union
40. Women of Praize
41. Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., Beta Zeta Chapter

Akosua Ali, NAACP DC Branch President, stated, "After over 400 years of slavery and systemic racial oppression, blacks continue to be victimized, brutalized and disproportionately impacted by health, education, economic and environmental injustices. The fight for social justice and equality requires collective strength and strategy. 14-years ago we first organized a meeting with the Presidents of 25 organizations and today over 40 organizations stand empowered as force multipliers to move black communities of DC from surviving to thriving."

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