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Council Member Briggs Appointed to Serve on National League of Cities' Council on Youth, Education, and Families

DENTON, TX, March 8, 2019 – Denton City Council Member Keely G. Briggs has been appointed to the National League of Cities (NLC) 2019 Council on Youth, Education, and Families.

This council guides and oversees the work of the Institute for Youth, Education, and Families. Additionally, the council fosters peer-learning and networking opportunities for elected municipal leaders; stimulates effective leadership on behalf of children, youth and families; and elevates the voices of city and youth leaders in broader discussions of the needs of youth, children and families. The appointment was announced by NLC President Karen Freeman-Wilson, mayor, Gary, Indiana.

“Working to move our community toward continuously improving outcomes for children and families has been at the foundation of my service as a council member and volunteer,” said Council Member Briggs. “I am honored to be asked to join the National League of Cities Council for Youth, Education, and Families. Affordable housing, health and wellness, education, economic opportunity, and engaging our youth are some of the biggest challenges facing our society. As a member of this council, I will work side by side with other leading public officials and experts to shape policy and practice guidelines to help communities tackle these issues on behalf of their children and families.”

“Our Council on Youth, Education and Families helps ensure local leaders around the country are making their cities better for children and families. The city of Gary has received invaluable assistance and guidance from our engagement with YEF and I am sure other communities will continue to benefit,” said Karen Freeman-Wilson. “I am proud to have Keely Briggs join NLC's YEF Council on behalf of her residents. Together with a team of local leaders from around the country, we will work to solve the most pressing challenges facing youth and children in our communities.”

The leadership of this year's council consists of Co-Chair Tameika Isaac Devine, Councilmember, Columbia, South Carolina; Co-Chair Victoria Woodards, Mayor, Tacoma, Washington; and Vice Chair LaToya Cantrell, Mayor, New Orleans.

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