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# Karen Bass Enters Race for L.A. Mayor



Congresswoman Karen Bass could become the first Black female mayor of Los Angeles. FILE PHOTO

By Cora Jackson-Fossett Staff Writer

Congresswoman Karen Bass is the newest candidate to enter the Los Angeles mayoral race. Bass officially announced her candidacy in a tweet on Sept. 27, that proclaimed, "With my whole heart, I'm ready. Let's do this --

mayor."

Her website is live karenbass.com - and volunteers and donations are being recruited as supporters across the city holler shouts of cheer. Also on the web, Bass cited the impetus behind her campaign.

"Karen is running for Mayor because she knows

together. I'm running for that solving the crisis of homelessness means developing a comprehensive approach that addresses the immediate crisis along with the root causes: lack of affordable housing, health care, access to job opportunities and residential alcohol and drug treatment," reads her vision statement.

"There are no simple

answers, but Karen has the experience, values, and support to get the job done," it concludes.

Many people, especially those who have urged Bass to run for mayor, will welcome those words. In addition, she already enjoys immense popularity throughout the city and that admiration crosses ethnic,

gender and age lines. As a result, Bass enters the race as one of the leading candidates to capture the mayor's office and extremely qualified for the position, according to several observers.

"Congresswoman Karen Bass is the leader our city needs. She meets the challenges we face with action,

Mitchell said.

"She is also no stranger to overcoming crises having led the state through the greatest economic downturn since the great depression as the first Black female Speaker of the California Assembly. As we face the uncharted territory of recovering from a global pan-



Bass has been friends for years with Los Angeles Sentinel publisher, Danny J. Bakewell, Sr. FILE PHOTO

from founding Community Coalition to fighting for us in Congress during an unprecedented pandemic and national reckoning for social and racial justice - Karen continues to be an effective coalition builder who is committed to solutions that serve in the best interest of our communities," L.A. County Supervisor Holly J.

demic, there is no one I trust more to lead Los Angeles. I wholeheartedly support my friend and our champion for justice, Karen Bass to be our next mayor," she passionately stated.

California State Senator Sydney Kamlager-Dove provided a similar assessment about Bass' qualifica-{See BASS A-11}

### University of California President Michael V. Drake Leads by Example



Michael V. Drake harvested enough academic experience to attract the perfect opportunity to lead the mission to advance humanity through collegiate means. BETTI HALSELL

By Betti Halsell Contributing Writer

Michael V. Drake harvested enough academic experience to attract the per-

fect opportunity to lead the mission of racial equality through collegiate means. As the 21st president of the "world-renowned" University of California (UC)

system, Drake oversees 10 campuses 10 UC campuses, five medical centers and three nationally affiliated labs. More than 200,000 students and faculty members will be influenced by his decisions; Drake credits his motivation to the desire of being a good person every day. University of California system. "I've had an unusually long career in higher education," Drake said, "This is my 17th year in a role like this— I've done this for a long time—that actually has been a big help in something that is complicated as the University of California."

Drake became the 21st president of the Universi-

ty of California in August of 2020, however, he was in a position of leadership as the president of Ohio State University (OSU) right before the transition. He led the Brutus Buckeyes for over six years, before extending his position at the head of the UC infrastructure.

As a graduate of Stanford, Drake received his A.B and his residency, M.D. He continued his academic journey at the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF,) progressing through his fellowship program in Ophthalmology. Subsequently, Drake invested two more decades at the

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## Fallen R&B Superstar R. Kelly Found Guilty of Sex Crimes



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### BCA Revived, Raising Awareness Around **Black Coaches in Officiated Sports**

Professional athlete, Pooh Jeter, and NBA G League Head Coach Jason Hart, assembles team to revive the Black Coaches Association.



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By Betti Halsell Contributing Writer

Basketball requires unity under the hoop and along the sidelines. International basketball player Pooh Jeter understands

the need to win as a whole team, which includes the person holding the clipboard. Resurrecting the energy of diversity within coaching, Jeter is seeking more support for Black coaches, by reenergizing

the Black Coach Association (BCA).

Jeter spoke exclusively with the Los Angeles Sentinel, providing the playby-play. He dissected the reasons athletes need to

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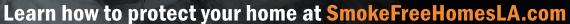


L-R Pooh Jeter and NBA G League Grand Rapids Head Coach Jason Terry COURTESY OF POOH JETER

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# The Case for Reparations: Cal Task Force Hears Painful Personal, Family Stories

By Antonio Ray Harvey California Black Media

Last week, California's Task Force to Study and Develop Reparation Proposals took an expansive but deeply personalized look at the history of Slavery, racial violence and injustice in America and traced how that past still shapes how we live now.

During the two-day meeting that concluded Sept. 24, participants shared details of harrowing incidents that happened in California and across the country. Their stories will help the panel determine what compensation should be for descendants of enslaved people in the United States who provided free labor for nearly 250 years and survived discrimination, lynching, racial violence and Jim Crow laws for more than a century after that.

The nine-member panel listened to close to five hours of emotional testimony presented by slave-trade experts, academic scholars, historians, and members of the Black community.

"The pain is real," said California Secretary of State Shirley Weber after hearing testimony from individuals sharing personal and family experiences of bigotry and enslave-

Weber, too, testified in front of the Task Force on Sept. 24.

"I think when we all reflect on it, we try not to reflect on it often because it is extremely painful," said Weber, who authored Assembly Bill (AB) 3121, signed into law in 2020, that created the California task force that is currently Historians document a series of those massacres that occurred from April to November 1919 as "Red Summer," when a wave of



California Secretary of State Shirley Weber

investigating the history and costs of slavery and discrimination in America – and the extent of California's involvement.

Weber, providing a broad understanding of why she penned AB 3121, discussed how her family was forced out of Arkansas and fled to Southern California after her father attempted to organize union rights for sharecroppers.

Weber also shared a largely unknown part of history that has direct ties to why reparations are being discussed. She highlighted the 1919 race riots in Elaine, Arkansas, which has not gotten the attention of other mob incidents of racial terror that happened in places like Chicago, St. Louis and Tulsa.

anti-Black riots and lynching took place after World War I. The word "red" symbolizes the color of the fires that engulfed burning, Black churches.

Weber's family was from nearby Hope, Arkansas, but during her research, she discovered that Black farmers "were chased in the fields, the cotton fields" murdered by non-Black people "to strike a sense of fear" in African Americans. Weber said "hundreds of people" were killed.

Weber, whose father was born in 1918, a year before Red Summer, says she was more concerned with her grandfather's mental state after the incident because he was "fearful of White people."

"Elaine, Arkansas, had

the worst race riot of any state in the nation. It was considered the deadliest race riot in the United States. Deadlier than what happened in (Tulsa) Oklahoma," Weber said. "It's now being researched and looked at, but I have to begin to ask myself what impact probably did the race riots of 1919 have on

my grandfather."

Bertha Gaffney Gorman, who worked for The Sacramento Bee newspaper from 1971 to 1978, was one of the only Black reporters in the newsroom at the time. She also testified to "tell her family's history" and discrimination they experienced in the Golden State.

Gorman is the grand-mother of Amanda Gorman, 23, the first National Youth Poet Laureate in 2017 who recited her powerful poem "The Hill We Climb" at Joe Biden's presidential inauguration. The younger Gorman, who graduated from Harvard University, was born and raised in Los Angeles.

The elder Gorman said in Texas, where she was born in 1940, members of her family "were free on paper but not in reality." Gorman said that Black Codes and vagrancy laws restricted freedom for members of her family and bound them to serve as cheap labor.

Her family witnessed intimidations, beating, hangings of free Black people who "continued to work for their enslavers, lived in the same shacks, and experienced the same cruelty and control," she said, drawing parallels between their life conditions and those of their enslaved ancestors.

Gorman shared specifics about racism she experienced working and

living in the state's capital city.

She moved to Sacramento in the late 1950s to attend Sacramento City College. While enrolled, Gorman lost her job because she tried to take a test for a clerk position for the state of California.

Eventually, Gorman was able to land a job with the California State Assembly, but says she was given every "imaginable excuse" to prevent her from taking the test before she realized it was the color of her skin that was holding her back.

"I hope my story will further the understanding of the legacy of harm and the Post Traumatic Stress Disorder that our people suffered and (that affected) my not enough Americans know the truth and full history of our country or the origins of the division we now face and thus of the karmic, social, economic, and indebtedness to African Americans that the country has inherited," Wilkerson said.

Members of the task force are: Kamilah V. Moore, a Los Angelesbased attorney, reparations scholar and activist; vicechair Dr. Amos Brown, a civil rights leader and respected Bay Area pastor whose journey to leadership started under the tutelage of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr in the 1960s; Cheryl Grills, a professor at Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles; Lisa



ancestors and their descendants. And the discrimination that followed them from Texas, New Mexico to California," Gorman said.

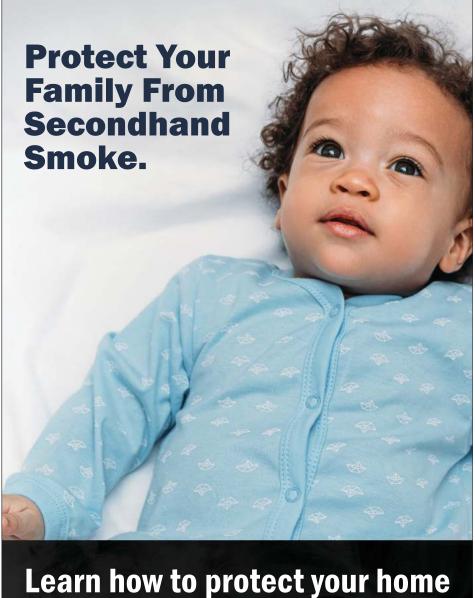
Isabel Wilkerson, the author of "The Warmth of Other Suns: The Epic Story of America's Great Migration," said during her testimony that about six million Black people left the deep South former slaveholding states and moved too western and northern states and territories from the 1900s to 1970s.

After arriving to their destinations, they struggled with housing, employment, and educational discrimination, the author said.

"I am testifying because

Holder, a nationally recognized trial attorney; Sen. Steven Bradford (D-Garde-Assemblymember Reginald Jones-Sawyer (D-Los Angeles); San Diego Councilmember Monica Montgomery Steppe; Dr. Jovan Scott Lewis, chair of the Department of Geography at the University of California Berkeley; and Attorney Don Tamaki, Esq. is an attorney best known for his role in the Supreme Court case of Korematsu v. the United States. Tamaki overturned the conviction of Fred Korematsu who refused to be taken into custody during the imprisonment of Japanese Americans in World War II.

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### Gov. Newsom's New \$15 Million Climate Change Program Includes Grants for Communities

By Aldon Thomas Stiles California Black Media

Last week, California Gov. Gavin Newsom announced a historic \$15 billion climate change package. The initiative has funds in it to combat the state's current environmental crisis as well as to help communities prepare for and prevent any disasters that may result from shifting weather patterns and changing global temperatures

It is the largest investment of its kind in the history of the state.

"At the KNP fire today, while the realities of climate change surrounded us, we signed into law a \$15 BILLION package that will help California tackle the climate crisis — from record heat waves, to extreme drought, to massive wildfires," Newsom tweeted after the press conference he held in regards to this investment.

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The governor was referring to a range of wildfires authorities have designated the KNP (Kings Canyon National Park) complex that has been burning since Sept. 9 in that park and in the adjacent Sequoia National Park. As of Sunday, that wildfire had burned nearly 46,000 acres

of land.

Across the state, the effects of climate change have decimated over 1.9

communities," said New-

"We're deploying a comprehensive approach to



million acres of land, according to the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection. Some experts believe this is due to California's severe drought this year.

As is the case with

As is the case with many other crises in the United States, communities of color are disproportionately affected by climate change.

This climate package hopes to change that by providing grants to help communities plan for climate change, as well as bolstering fire and drought prevention and response through program funding.

"California is doubling down on our nation-leading policies to confront the climate crisis head-on while protecting the hardest-hit meet the sobering challenges of the extreme weather patterns that imperil our way of life and the Golden State as we know it, including the largest investment in state history to bolster wildfire resilience, funding to tackle the drought emergency while building long-term water resilience, and strategic investments across the spectrum to protect communities from extreme heat, sea level rise and other climate risks that endanger the most vulnerable among us," explained.

The state has not yet announced a schedule for release of the funding to communities or at how it will be dispersed. California Black Media will be following that process.



# BACK TO SCHOOL, BUT NOT BACK TO CANDY-FLAVORED TOBACCO.

# L.A. CITY COUNCIL, THANK YOU FOR TAKING STEPS TO END THE SALE OF FLAVORED TOBACCO.

Flavored tobacco has created a youth nicotine epidemic, and nowhere is it more dangerous than in our schools. Big Tobacco companies sell kid-friendly flavors, from banana smash to pink lemonade to cool mint to menthol.

Today, over 3.5 million kids regularly use these products, risking an addiction to nicotine. And 83% use flavors. Thankfully, our L.A. City Council is taking action to end this epidemic.

THANK YOU FOR MOVING TO END THE SALE OF FLAVORED TOBACCO AND PROTECTING OUR KIDS.





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### Why Redistricting Matters to You

By Councilmember MARQUEECE HARRIS-DAW-

In this period of recovery, the question for our community is where do we go from here?

Here is a year after one of the most impactful racial reckonings since the Civil Rights Movement. Here is the crossroad, a partisan split on the road strewn with masks, vaccines, and misinformation. Here is the largest humanitarian crisis our city has ever seen.

Now is when representation matters; how we choose who represents us

begins with redistricting. Redistricting in its simplest definition is how communities with similar social, cultural, and economic issues keep themselves intact and able to elect leaders who represent and legislate their interests in the political

According to 2020 Census Data in Council District Eight, 52% of the voting age public are African Americans, and it is the only African American community of interest in the City of Los Angeles. It is where we have made our homes and raised our families for generations -- where

Black voters can collectively elect candidates of their choice who can articulate their needs. As a literal and figurative backbone of the city, Black LA is a power player with significant contributions across business and creative sectors stamping its unique worldview on everything from art and architecture to politics and fashion. This is all evidenced by the global desire and consumption of our

Part of the redistricting process is the equitable distribution of economic assets. These give the representative a voice for the interests

and concerns of their constituents, and the ability to leverage benefits for the community. Ten years ago, the last redistricting process stripped City Council District Eight of its economic assets, namely Exposition Park (home of the Olympic games), including the Coliseum, the California African Museum American (CAAM), USC, Leimert Park.

Other South Los Angeles Districts did not fare well in the last redistricting process either. Council District Nine lost large swaths of Downtown LA, and the powerful economic interests

concentrated there. The historic 10th Council District that elected Tom Bradley decades ago did not see the same dramatic change, but when all of this is taken together there was a negative impact for the eighth, ninth and tenth districts creating a collective diminution of influence and power. The 2011 City Council decision to remove assets away from South LA and concentrate them into specific regions, led to a high-profile embarrassment of the city.

As we finalize this redistricting process, South Los Angeles must call for these assets to be returned



Councilmember Marqueece Harris-Dawson

and equitably distributed to ensure that the voices of our Black and Brown residents in Council Districts Eight, Nine, and Ten have the weight and potency they deserve.

With hope,

Harris-Marqueece

### L.A. County Board Looks to Watchdog Agency to Take On Deputy Cliques

By Elizabeth Marcellino CITY NEWS SERVICE

Responding to a RAND Corp. report finding that deputy cliques accused of gang-like behavior still exist with the sheriff's department, the Board of Supervisors today tasked the Civilian Oversight Commission with developing a plan to eradicate these groups.

Supervisors Hilda Solis and Holly Mitchell co-



Supervisor Holly Mitchell said it was "tragic" that the needs of deputies were ignored to the point that the way some chose to manage stress and feel safely supported by colleagues was to "join a group like the Jump Out Boys and the Executioners."

authored the motion, which was not part of the planned agenda and was read in toward the end of the meet-

Solis noted that the study by the Santa Monicabased think tank, commissioned in 2019 and released this month, found that a majority of deputies still believe the subgroups are a positive force in the department and only 37% support banning them altogether.

"The RAND study con-

for many years, that deputy gangs exist, even if the

firmed what we've known researchers -- by clarifying policy language and delivering strong and consistent



The alleged gang members have matching tattoos featuring menacing Nazi-style figures, according to a complaint.

sheriff says there are not any or tries to minimize their existence," Solis said. "Those that know best are the residents of our county, especially those families who have suffered at the hands of deputy misconduct."

"There shouldn't be a need for these actions, but unfortunately we have no choice when deputy gang continue members engage in harm, intimidation and harassment."

Sheriff Alex Villanueva blasted the report last week, insisting that his administration has cracked down on such groups.

"With all the negative press associated with the deputy subgroups, with the efforts that I've done, my administration has done -putting in the policy, enforcing the policy, creating a video that every single member of the department had to see, they had to sign an attestation form, ... none of this was mentioned in the RAND study," Villanueva said.

RAND researchers concluded that department leadership can best discourage involvement in deputy subgroups -- a neutral term adopted by

messages to its staff.

Villanueva said the RAND report essentially made 37 recommendations for addressing the issue of deputy cliques, and 30 of them are already in place. Department policy prohibits behavior that violates the rights of others.

Questioned about this claim today, a RAND presenter said the sheriff's policy amounts to a "first step" and more needs to be done to change the culture. That includes clear guidance for command staff particularly captains -about expectations and appropriate responses for dealing with the secretive subgroups.

**RAND** researchers interviewed both civilians and department members, who offered starkly differ-

ent views of these groups. Civilians shared stories of harassment and intimi-

"(I) watched (deputies) torment a girl whose son got killed by a ricochet bullet," one resident told researchers. "They were outside in front doing doughnuts in their sheriff's cars trying to intimidate us and make us leave."

Another said the groups

perpetrate an "us versus them" attitude.

"You have to be willing to do certain things -- beat people up, use excessive force, shoot people. A lot of illegal things. It's not like joining the Boy Scouts -- if you're celebrating people getting killed with tattoos, it's out of hand," another shared.

Some deputies agreed that these groups encourage hardened attitudes about the community. But others said they were the result of "a bond that occurs with people who face death together" and a way to know that others have your back while doing a dangerous job.

The RAND report found that "subgroups vary significantly. Some are drinking groups. Others are closer to cliques or, as one respondent called them, 'popular kids.' And some encourage a culture of aggressive policing."

Responses received from deputies about the cliques ranged from "those who belong to a subgroup hold themselves and each other to a higherstandard and are the best LASD has" to deputies who believed "they [subgroups] have destroyed many honest and hard-working deputies' lives and careers.'

The names alone -which over the years have included the Banditos, Buffalo Soldiers, Cavemen, Cowboys, Executioners, Grim Reapers, Jump Out Boys, Little Red Devils, Pirates, Rattlesnakes, and

Pictured here is a "Banditos" tattoo.

Wayside Whities -- are enough to raise concerns.

Mitchell said it was "tragic" that the needs of deputies were ignored to the point that the way some chose to manage stress and feel safely supported by colleagues was to "join a group like the Jump Out Boys and the Execution-

The board, RAND researchers and the sheriff agree on one thing: this problem has existed for decades, long before Villanueva was sworn in in

"It's clear this is a systemic issue that costs lives, public trust and millions of dollars," Mitchell said. "We must assess the recommendations within this study to make the necessary changes to end the culture that allows for these gangs to exist within our law enforcement."

County counsel estimates that the county has spent \$55 million to settle lawsuits related to deputy gangs since 1990.

"Every single one of predecessors has kicked the can down the road saying they either didn't exist or did nothing about it," Villanueva said last week.

The board directed the COC to work in consultation with the Office of Inspector General, County Counsel, the District Attorney's Office, Office of the Public Defender, Office of Alternate Public Defender, the Sheriff's Department and members of the public to come up with a specific plan for implementation.

A RAND researcher told the board that any plan to eliminate such groups is likely to be divisive.

He also warned that "increasing scrutiny may make groups more secretive" and acknowledged the need for some form of camaraderie when deputies feel under attack by the

As with other board efforts to dictate what Villanueva may or may not do, this effort may run into the limits of the board's authority in dealing with an elected official and potential legal challenges. The motion calls for the COC to consider policies that the board itself could impose in the context of existing state and local laws.

A report is expected back in 90 days.

### LA Police Commission President Blasts Officers Refusing COVID Vaccine

CITY NEWS SERVICE

The president of the civilian Los Angeles Police Commission called on the department's personnel to get vaccinated, calling it "extremely dubious" that more than 2,000 of them are planning to seek religious exemptions from the city's vaccination mandate for municipal employees.

"I personally find it appalling that the personnel of a department charged with public safety would willfully, intentionally and brazenly endanger the lives of those they have taken an oath to protect," Commission President William Briggs said.

"I'm talking about those individuals who openly disregard solemn promise they made to protect the citizens of Los Angeles by refusing to be vaccinated." Briggs said he was speaking in response to written letters submitted to the commission by the public expressing concern that officers aren't vaccinated. Nearly

11% of Los Angeles'

57,476 city employees employees, of whom about have stated their intent to seek a religious or medical exemption from the city's

54% had received at least one dose of the vaccine as of Sept. 14.On Aug. 18, the



weapon traded in by people during an anonymous gunbuyback event hosted by Councilman Curren Price and Mayor Eric Garcetti's Office of Gang Reduction and Youth Development, with the support of LAPD, in Los Angeles, on March 20, 2021.

mandate that employees get vaccinated against COVID-19, according to data released by the city on Sept. 14.

About half of those come from the Los Angeles Police Department, which has 2,651 employees planning to file for religious exemptions and 368 planning to file for medical exemptions. The department has a total of 12,315

Los Angeles City Council approved an ordinance to require non-exempt employees to be fully inoculated by Oct. 5.

Exemption requests will be evaluated on a case-bycase basis. People qualify for an exemption if they have a medical condition or sincerely held religious beliefs, practices or observances that prevent them from receiving the vaccine.



# Minority Owned Businesses in L.A. to Receive Financial Boost

JPMorgan Chase and the Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) launched a \$2.65 million commitment to provide capital and resources to entrepreneurs of color in Los Angeles.

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Los Angeles has the largest small business economy in the U.S., with over 250,000 small businesses.

However, there's a shortage of capital available for these small businesses, and entrepreneurs of color are disproportionately affected.

Earlier this month, the Entrepreneurs of Color Fund (EOCF) program was launched in Los Angeles to address this shortage. With \$2.65 million in funding to support historically disadvantaged small business owners in Los Angeles, the fund is designed to help increase the availability of capital and business resources to strengthen small businesses owned by underserved entrepreneurs.

"Our goal is to build an inclusive economy," said Jenn Piepszak, Co-CEO of Consumer & Community Banking at JPMorgan Chase at the fund's launch event at Chase's Community Center branch in the Crenshaw District.

She added, "We know that for too long Black and Latino Americans, especially, have missed out on our country's growth and prosperity."

EOCF is a national collaboration with the Local Initiatives Support Corpo-

ration (LISC), a network of Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFIs), JPMorgan Chase and additional funders. is characterized by a significant shortage of capital to meet small business needs and disproportionately low rates of tradition-

To date, the EOCF has provided over 1,200 loans and deployed more than \$43 million in capital to entrepreneurs of color nationally, in cities including Detroit, the Bay Area, South Bronx, Chicago and the Greater Washington

Los Angeles is now the sixth city served by the program and according to JPMorgan Chase while Black and Latino residents make up 8% and 49% of Los Angeles County's population, they only own 2% and 11% of all businesses, respectively.

Speaking at the event, Diedra Porché, a Managing Director at Chase who leads the bank's Small Business Banking Operations in California, explained that loan capital in Los Angeles has historically been concentrated in micro-loans of under \$100,000 or loans larger than \$250,000, creating a 'missing middle' for many small businesses. She noted that the program will help address this 'critical'

According to additional figures provided by JPMorgan Chase, the Los Angeles County small business capital landscape nificant shortage of capital to meet small business needs and disproportionately low rates of traditional lending in neighborhoods with high concentrations of Black and Latino residents. As a result there is an unmet demand of \$60 billion for small businesses in Los Angeles County annually.

"When we started our business, we used our own money, our own credit cards, not knowing that there were financial tools and products out there that would have helped our business grow. Programs like this will help businesses of color be smarter, scale and become bigger,"





Entrepreneurs of Color Fuscition

said Joe Ward-Wallace, coowner of South LA, who also spoke at the event.

The \$2.65 million funding for EOCF Los Angeles program comes as a grant from JPMorgan Chase to support five diverse-led CDFI organizations working in collaboration who will administer and execute the program with local small business borrowers.

The Local Initiatives Support Corporation's Los Angeles office (LISC LA), Accion Opportunity Fund (AOF), and Inclusive Action for the City (IAC) will each provide complementary lending capital to meet the needs of EOCF LA borrowers.

The other two organizations involved, Vermont Slauson Local Development Corporation (Vermont Slauson) and Pacific Asian Consortium in Employment (PACE) will provide technical assistance and business advising services to EOCF Los Angeles borrowers.

"The EOCF LA is a key component of the inclusive lending model that we have for entrepreneurs that have been left behind," said

Tunua Thrash-Ntuk, executive director, LISC LA, who also spoke at the event.

Thrash-Ntuk added, "Partnerships like this one will enable many community stakeholders to get the resources to support small business owners as they look to rebuild, improve their credit, grow their financial stability and hopefully by the end of the journey are thriving sustainable businesses."

The funding for EOCF Los Angeles is part of JPMorgan Chase's \$30 billion racial equity commitment that is providing economic opportunity to underserved communities, especially the Black and Latino communities, and driving an inclusive economic recovery by focusing on areas like small business growth and financial health.

"We know there is great opportunity to infuse more capital into businesses by partnering closely with local community organizations," said Porché. "It is going to be difficult to rebuild our Main Streets after the pandemic but one of the best ways that we will be able to start rebuilding will be through programs like this."



### Vaccination Providers Require Patient Information, Boosters Available for Eligible Residents

Public Health wants patients to have better access to their COVID information and are offering the booster shots at sites giving the Pfizer vaccine.

By Brian W. Carter Contributing Writer

On Monday, September 27, Public Health reported 5 new deaths and stated 986 new cases of COVID-19. There were 907 patients hospitalized with COVID-19 with 16% of nearly 8,590,000 individuals testing positive with symptoms.

"While the science about the virus continues to advance, there should be no confusion about the effectiveness of the vaccines at moving us more quickly to low rates of community transmission," said Barbara Ferrer, PhD, MPH, MEd, Director of Public Health.

She continued, "For those whose work includes supporting our most vulnerable - those who are sick or facing an emergency or needing help or cannot be vaccinated - we ask that you do your part and comply with vaccination requirements."

Many businesses and establishments are requiring proof of COVID-19



The Digital COVID-19 Vaccine Record will allow residents to access their vaccine info.

vaccination in order to be served throughout L.A. County. Starting October 1, vaccination providers will be required to request certain information from patients. The Pfizer boosters are available to eligible L.A. residents and is being encouraged by Public

Public Health identified 1,455,155 positive cases of COVID-19 across all areas of L.A. County and a total of 26,018 deaths. Cases across the Southland: Los Angeles County shows 1,378,571 cases, Long Beach with 63,438 cases and Pasadena with 13,146

According to race and ethnicity, COVID-19 statistics show: American Indian/Alaska Native with 2,326; Asian with 65,708; Black with 65,577; Hispanic/Latino with 713,018; Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander with 5,064; White with 167,602; those of other race and ethnicity with 116,947 and 242,329 under investigation.

vaccination providers are required by the State to request patients' email addresses and mobile phone numbers for the State's Immunization Registry. This will allow residents to access their Digital COVID-19 Vaccine Record after the vaccine has been

Beginning October 1,

administered. Residents can refuse to provide their mobile phone numbers or email address if they don't want to and will still be able to receive the COVID-19 vaccine and the white vaccination card.

Los Angeles County residents eligible for a booster dose can receive it at all sites offering the Pfizer vaccine. Appointments are not needed at all Public Health vaccination sites where first, second, and third doses are available. The following groups of people who received the second of the two-dose Pfizer vaccine series at least 6 months ago and are

\*People aged 65 years or older

\*Residents of longterm care facilities

\*People aged 18 to 64 years with underlying medical conditions

\*People aged 18 to 64 years with high institutional or occupational risk, including healthcare workers, first responders, teachers and day care staff, grocery workers, and workers in homeless shelters or prisons, among others

"This pandemic has made it clear that individual decisions have an enormous impact on our collective well-being," said Ferrer. "While it is easy to cast safety measures and vaccination requirements as a curtailment of individual freedoms, it is perhaps more useful to view these

as sensible actions that allow us to protect each other from a virus that destroys lives and livelihoods."

For more detailed information on COVID-19 vaccination plans in L.A. County and to sign up for a vaccination newsletter, visit: www.VaccinateLA-County.com

For more information and statistics on COVID-19 in Los Angeles County, please visit http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/

Always check with trusted sources for the latest accurate information about novel coronavirus:

\*Los Angeles County Department of Public Health http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/ \*California Department of Public Health https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages

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avirus/2019-ncov/index-sp.html Health Organization

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### LA County DA IDs Nearly 60,000 Cannabis Convictions to be Dismissed

CITY NEWS SERVICE

Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascon announced this week that his office has identified nearly 60,000 cannabis convictions, some going back three decades, that will be dismissed as part of what he calls an effort "to reverse the injustices of drug laws."

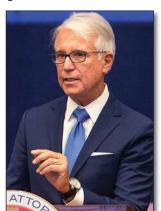
"Dismissing these convictions means the possibility of a better future to thousands of disenfranchised people who are receiving this long- needed relief,' Gascon said in a statement. "It clears the path for them to find jobs, housing and other services that previous-

ly were denied to them because of unjust cannabis laws."

Gascon's move marks the second straight year the L.A. County DA's Office has taken such a wide-ranging action. Last February, then-DA Jackie Lacey announced that nearly 66,000 marijuana convictions dating back as far as 1961 would be dismissed.

That move followed passage of legislation directing California prosecutors to review and reduce felony convictions for marijuana cultivation, sales, transportation and possession for sale to misdemeanors.

Gascon, in announcing the most recent round of dis-



Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascón

missals, was joined by Felicia Carbajal, executive director and community leader of The Social Impact Center, a nonprofit organization that serves as a bridge between government, grassroots organizations and people in underserved commu-

Also joining Gascon were Lynne Lyman, former director of the Drug Policy Alliance, Public Defender Ricardo Garcia and Alternate Public Defender Erika Anzoategui.

"I have made it my life mission to help and support people who have been impacted by the 'war on drugs," Carbajal said. "Giving people with cannabis convictions a new lease on life by expunging the records is something I have worked on for years and I am grateful that we can now make it happen."

Said Lyman: "This is the unfinished work of Proposition 64. We created the opportunity for old cannabis convictions to be cleared, but it was up to local district attorneys to actually make it happen. Proposition 64 was always about more than legal weed, it was an intentional effort to repair the past harms of the war on drugs and cannabis prohibition, which disproportionately targeted people of color. I applaud District Attorney Gascon for taking this action to help nearly 60,000 Angelenos have their records fully sealed."

Gascon was co-author of Prop 64, the 2016 measure that made cannabis legal in California.

According to Gascon's office, last's year's dismissals only covered cases from state Department of Justice data -- and further examination of L.A. County court records uncovered 58,000 approximately felony and misdemeanor cases dating back more than three decades that are eligible for dismissal.

"The latest batch of cases eligible for dismissal could come as a surprise to people who either thought their convictions were already dismissed last year or were not aware they are eligible for resentencing," according to Gascon's office.

### 'Black Future Project' Founder Sues Beverly Hills, Alleging Rights Violations

CITY NEWS SERVICE

A Black activist is suing Beverly Hills, alleging his civil rights were violated during arrests while he led protests in the city following the 2020 incustody death of George Floyd in Minneapolis.

James Butler's Los Angeles Superior Court lawsuit alleges civil rights violations, battery, false imprisonment, unlawful arrest and intentional infliction of emotional arrest. Butler seeks unspecified compensatory and punitive damages in the suit brought Monday.

Beverly Hills spokesman said that city officials have not seen the lawsuit and declined com-

"The city of Beverly Hills has a long and welldocumented history of racially profiling and discriminatory police practices against African Americans," according to the suit, which notes a number of prior lawsuits against the city.

Butler is the founder of the Black Future Project, an organization that favors defunding the police and dismantling what he and his followers deem to be structural racism.

In June 2020, after Butler organized a protest in Beverly Hills, the City Council passed an emergency ordinance limiting residential assemblies to no more than 10 people between 9 p.m. and 8 a.m., according to the suit.

In response, Butler and the Black Future Project organized a second protest in the city in late June 2020 with about 100 people who assembled on Santa Monica Boulevard after 9 p.m., and he and about 25 participants were arrested for allegedly being in violation of the emergency ordinance, the suit states.

Butler spoke out publicly regarding the arrests, including what he believed were substandard conditions in the Beverly Hills city jail, the suit states.

The city filed misdemeanor charges against Butler for taking part in the protest, but a judge later dismissed all allegations against him and the other

protesters, the suit states. On July 23, 2020, Butler organized another demonstration that began when he spoke to his fellow protesters before they marched from Beverly Hills High School toward Santa Monica Boulevard, the suit states. The march was peaceful and occurred prior to the 9 p.m. curfew, but Butler was apprehended by multiple officers who handcuffed him, the suit states.

"The BHPD officers violently slammed Butler to the ground and pushed his face into the concrete roadway while placing a knee on the back of Butler's neck," the suit alleges.

Butler was then "violent-



Black Future Project protesters blocked traffic near Beverly Hills Police Department headquarters on June 26.

ly slammed into a patrol car" and the BHPD attempted to justify his arrest by writing fabricated police reports to the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office in the hope that prosecutors would file felony charges for assault on a peace officer, the suit alleges.

However, after spending multiple hours in custody, Butler was released after the District Attorney's Office declined to prosecute, the

suit states.

In 1995, Beverly Hills was sued by a group of Black plaintiffs who alleged that BHPD officers stopped and harassed Black drivers without reasonable suspicion at a disproportionately high rate, the suit notes.

As part of the litigation's settlement, the city established a Human Relations Commission to deal with issues of racial profiling, according to the suit.

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### Black Lives Matter Leader Victim of Another Apparent Swatting Call

CITY NEWS SERVICE

A leader of Black Lives Matter Los Angeles who was targeted in a swatting incident last year was the victim of another apparent false emergency call today.

Los Angeles Police Department officers were called to the residence of Melina Abdullah about 9:30 a.m. in the 2100 block of Wellington Road, near Washington Boulevard after receiving a call that Abdullah's young son had contacted police claiming Abdullah had overdosed on pills and requested assistance, Capt.

Stacy Spell told the Los Angeles Times. A unit and a supervisor

was sent to Abdullah's home

to check on her, Spell said.

Spell told The Times to the location. officers "were able to determine that she was not in any



Melina Abdullah

danger" after a neighbor was able to contact Abdullah and notify her that police were at her door.

The responding officers ultimately determined the report was a false emergency call for service intended to elicit a large police response

Abdullah filed a lawsuit this week alleging the LAPD had acted improperly after a similar call last year to her home and said Thursday's swatting call was "very suspicious" as it came on the heels of her lawsuit.

"The timing is not coincidental," she told The

Anyone with information on the swatting call was asked to call the LAPD Major Crimes Division at 213-486-7280. Calls made during non-business hours or on weekends should be made to 877-527-3247.

Anonymous tips can be called in to Crime Stoppers at 800-222-8477 or submitted online at lacrimestoppers.org.

### By 2026, Cal Education Chief Wants Every Third Grader to Know How to Read

By Joe W. Bowers Jr. California Black Media

State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tony Thurmond held a press conference via zoom and on Facebook last week to unveil an ambitious new education achievement plan for California. It is a campaign that has been designed to ensure, by 2026, every California third grader will know how to read.

The effort will also include a biliteracy milestone for dual-language learners.

Thurmond announced that he will be forming a task force of practitioners, advocates, researchers, foundation partners, thought leaders, students, parents, and other experts to identify key strategies that school districts and charter schools can employ to help their students achieve this bold goal.

Education researchers point out that children are expected to be able to learn about the world through reading by third and fourth grade. This is when their math lessons are taught using word problems and reasoning skills are developed through discussing text they've been assigned to read. Children who fall

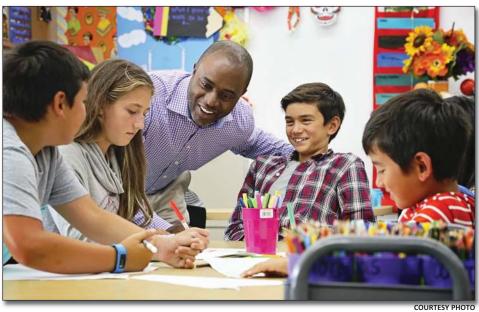
skills quickly find themselves struggling to keep up with their coursework.

A study by researchers at Stanford Graduate

behind developing reading read to learn anything. This is a gateway skill that can carry them to any point in their life, in their career, and in their journey. We also know that when students

grade level or above in English language arts.

In addition to announcing the task force formation, Thurmond revealed that Assemblymember



State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tony Thurmond

School Education of reached the conclusion that during the pandemic inadequate reading instruction has contributed to students' reading fluency in second and third grade to be approximately 30 % behind what would be expected in a typical year.

Thurmond said during his opening remarks, "We already know that when students learn to read, they can don't learn to read by third grade, they're at greater risk to drop out of school, and they are greater risk to end up in the criminal justice system."

On the state's Smarter Balanced tests during the 2018-19 school year only 33% of Black students in grades three through 11 tested at grade level or above in English language; only 31% of third graders tested at

Bonta (D-Oakland) has agreed to sponsor legislation that will formally be introduced in 2022 to support the task force's recommenda-

"We will bring forward legislation in the next legislative cycle that will help us to have the resources for professional learning, and the other things that we'll need to support our students," he said.

Thurmond expects the legislation to consider issues of readiness, chronic absenteeism, needs of students with disabilities and multilingual learners, early education, and socio-economic factors that impact a student's ability to learn to

"I look forward to working closely with you all in the coming weeks and months on improving childhood literacy and biliteracy," said Assemblymember Bonta speaking at the press conference. "I applaud Superintendent Thurmond for this targeted campaign. It is a bold, aggressive agenda. I'm on board and willing to make sure that we have the ability to provide legislation that is going to be meaningful and focus on implementation and making this a reality for every single child in this state. Literacy is the key to equity." Also present at the press

conference were: E. Toby Boyd, California Teachers Association; Hedy Chang, Executive Director, Attendance Works; Dr. Francisco Escobedo, Executive Director, National Center for Urban School Transformation; Assemblymember Jim Frazier (D-Fairfield), Liaison to Advisory Commission on Special Education; Jan Gustafson-Corea, Chief Executive Officer, California Association of Bilingual Education (CABE): Matt Navo, Executive Director, California Collaborative for Educational Excellence (CCEE); Dr. Christopher J. Nellum, Executive Director, The Education Trust—West; and Jackie Thu-Huong Wong, Chief Deputy Director, First 5 California. Keith Pace, Executive Director, California School Employees Association was invited but did not participate.

Each participant shared personal stories and encouraged statewide support for literacy and biliteracy for all of California's students.

"This has been an incredibly challenging year for our students, our educators, and their families," E. Toby Boyd, President of the California Teachers Association, said. "The pandemic has shined a light on the challenges that our schools and communities face in serving the six million students in our system. I, along with my 310,000 educators, are ready to work with Superintendent Thurmond, Assemblymembers Bonta and Frazier, and the members of the task force to develop thoughtful strategies and policies for our youngest learners, and also for the future of California public education."

"We're extremely excited about this campaign for a number of reasons, but for me and for us this campaign launches at a time when we've all seen how drastically our education systems can change during a crisis,' said Christopher Nellum, executive director of Education Trust-West. "And in our opinion now is the time to act with the same sort of urgency with regard to our literacy crisis in Califor-

In his closing remarks Thurmond said, "I thought I'd have eight years to work on this in some way. The pandemic has upended, some of those efforts. But, I just have to say, as I feel about to borrow from the wonderful Congresswoman Waters, Maxine reclaiming my time' to work on an initiative that I know is so important."

An archived broadcast of the press conference with American Sign Language interpretation service can be viewed on the CDE Facebook page.

### California Could Decriminalize Drug 'Magic Mushrooms' as Early as Next Year

By Edward Henderson California Black Media

The seeds have been planted for another California law that could loosen restrictions on the use of

to establish qualifications for healthcare practitioners who provide psilocybin mushroom-assisted therapy and to create protocols for such

"As Chair of the Senate



A vendor packages psilocybin mushrooms at a cannabis market in Los Angeles.

recreational drugs in the United States.

Last week, Secretary of State Dr. Shirley N. Weber announced that a new initiative to decriminalize psilocvbin mushrooms, -- also known by its street name "shrooms" -- has been cleared by her office. Proponents of the legislation can begin collecting signatures to qualify it as a statewide ballot measure in 2022.

The initiative calls for the decriminalization of psilocybin mushrooms under California's penal code. It also calls for the legalization of cultivation, manufacture, processing, distribution, transportation, possession, storage, consumption, and retail sale of the hallucinogenic fungi and chemical compounds it contains – as well as products and extracts derived from it.

Currently, under federal law, mushrooms are classified as a Schedule 1 drug. That designation indicates that a drug has a high potential for abuse, and it has no clear medical benefits.

If the initiative is qualified and approved by California voters, it would also authorize the research and use of psilocybin mushrooms for treatment by qualified healthcare practitioners. The requirement for an "independent professional certifying body" would exist Public Safety Committee and as a Black man in America, I have come to know what justice is or is not for people that look like me," Sen. Steven Bradford (D-Gardena) told California Black Media.

"The War on Drugs had drastic consequences and a disproportionate impact on people of color, urban communities, and poor people despite studies showing drug usage being equal across various landscapes. That is one of the reasons why I support the decriminalization of certain drugs, including psilocybin. The effects of the war on drugs, however, is not the only reason for my position. Data and science have proven psilocybin's potential to help people in a myriad of therapeutic applications. We gain nothing by continuing to live in the wreckage of the war on

drugs, it is time to move on." The Attorney General prepares the legal title and summary that is required to appear on initiative petitions. When the official language is complete, the Attorney General forwards it to the proponent and to the Secretary of State, and the initiative may be circulated for signatures. The Secretary of State then provides calendar deadlines to the proponent and to county elections offi-

California was a trailblazer in the national movement to legalize marijuana when it first overturned prohibitions against medical uses of cannabis 25 years ago. Marijuana for recreational use is now legal in 47 states and the District of

The proponent of the measure, Ryan Munevar, must collect signatures of 623,212 registered voters (five percent of the total votes cast for Governor in the November 2018 general election) for the measure to become eligible for the November 2022 ballot.

"I'm not an optimistic person at all, I'm more of a mathematician when it comes to these things, we have this down to a science" said Munevar. "But the reception has been phenom-

Kevin Sabet, drug policy adviser to President Obama and author of the book, "Smokescreen: What the Marijuana Industry Doesn't Want You to Know," has been an outspoken critic of legalization of marijuana, mushrooms and other drugs.

Sabet warns that profit motives, not public health imperatives, drive political

legalization efforts. "I worry that given the precedent we have set with tobacco, alcohol and now marijuana, we are setting up a new addictive industry that wants to deal with all kinds of drugs that have never been commercialized before, like mushrooms," he said before Oregon decriminalized "shrooms" in 2019.

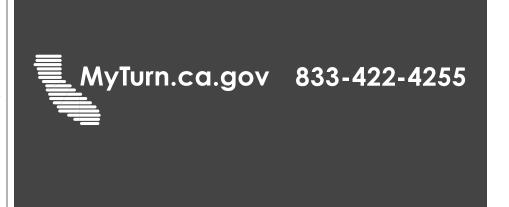
In August, Sen. Scott Weiner (D-San Francisco) requested the cancelation of a hearing for a similar bill he authored SB 519. That legislation proposes removing criminal penalties for the using and sharing of psilocydimethyltryptamine (DMT), ibogaine, mescaline, LSD, ketamine and MDMA for people over age 21.

Munevar has 180 days to circulate petitions for the measure, meaning the signatures must be submitted to county elections officials no later than March 15, 2022.

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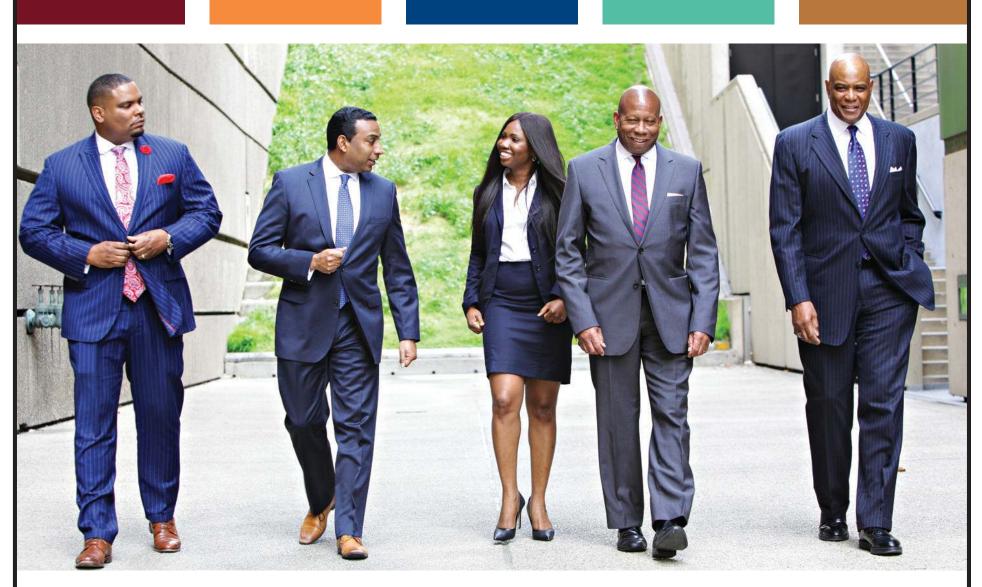
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# BCA Revived, Raising Awareness Around **Black Coaches in Officiated Sports**

Professional athlete, Pooh Jeter, and NBA G League Head Coach Jason Hart, assembles team to revive the Black Coaches Association.



L-R University of Portland Assistant Coach Jeremy Pope, Pooh Jeter, and L-R University of Portland Head Coach Shantay Legans COURTESY OF POOH JETER

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see themselves within their coaches and the demand for the collective community to look out for each other.

Participating in the efforts to bring the BCA back is coach Jason Hart, he recently made a colossal transition in his athletic leadership career. The University of Southern California athletic department shared their mixed feelings of sadness and joy, when learning of Hart's changeover to head coach for the NBA G League Ignite.

Around the time of his transition, Hart made a statement on Twitter, "The NBA hiring of African-American coaches is changing the game! Relatability seems to be the narrative now!!

I'm next!" Shortly after that tweet, he received the opportunity to be a part of an NBA division, as head coach.

Reflecting on the revival of the BCA, Jeter said, "One of the co-founders that we decided to do this with is Jason Hart. He's now a coach for the G league Ignite team and that was our whole issue because he hit me up venting one time, about how there are no Black coaches—head coaches in men's basketball, in the Pac-12."

"That was kind of weird," Jeter said, he stressed the importance of support in recruiting coaches from the Black community. Jeter said, "That led to us having conversations about trademarking 'Black Coaches Associa-

tion' and that turned into an amazing opportunity of hitting up other Black coaches that I know." Jeter shared his vision of seeing Black coaches being uplifted within the sports industry.

As an athlete, Jeter has felt the spark and motivation coaches bring to the team. He found it important to make the BCA a priority, seeing the growth of this entity all the way through. With a committed team behind him, Jeter is confident that the BCA is back, and here to stay.

The first pulse started with picking up the phone, Jeter explained that he made numerous calls, reaching out to influential people from his past, in order to bring more athletic unity into the future.

Finding himself aligned with legends, Jeter acknowledged the titans of the first BCA. Through their efforts, Jeter has the undistinguishable fire to make the BCA feel like home for the collective community in sports.

Those who led the first BCA included John Thompson, John Chaney, George Raveling, and Nolan Richardson. In order to realign with the need for Black coaches, Jeter prompted himself to answer a critical question, "What do you we need to be doing to be prepared for the opportunities?" He began hunting for that answer last year.

"From then to now, we

see in the NBA, they just hired seven Black coaches--It was from the lack of having six before, to now having 13," Jeter continued, "Since we been having the movement and the association, a lot has been happening." Jeter has put the key in the ignition, revving up the awareness of the imbalance in diverse

Some of the pillars that the renovated BCA will lean heavily on include, cultural responsibility, honesty, education, trust, authentic relationships, and mentorship. This information was found on Slam Online. The BCA will fill every need to make Black coaches and athletes succeed in their

Jeter has leaned in for many hurdles around the coach's clipboard. Beginning with his career as the number two all-time scorer for the University basketball team, the Portland Pilots, in 2005. Jeter was named West Coast Conference Co-Player of the Week, in February of that year, after averaging 22.0 points, 6.5 assists, and 3.0 rebounds; leading the Pilots to victories over Pepperdine and Loyola Marymount. His statistics were made available on portlandpilots.com.

By 2006 Jeter's career took shape in the NBA D-League, for the Colorado 14er's. In 2007, he laced up his sneakers overseas, to play in Ukraine, Spain,



L-R University of Montana Head Coach Travis Decquire, Pooh Jeter, and NBA G League Ignite Head Coach Jason Hart COURTESY OF POOH JETER

China, and Israel. Coming back to the states, Jeter honored the Sacramento Kings with his talents.

Jeter shared more of his sentiments in past interviews, about his dedication to the revival of the BCA "I'm a point guard and have been all my life-- so I have been a coach on the floor. If you look at our board members Head Coach of University of Virgina, Tina Thompson, Assistant Coach for Boston Celtics, Damon Stoudamire, Head Coach of Bishop O' Dowd High School, Lou Richie, and WNBA Head Coach of Seattle Storm, Noelle Quinn, to name a few,"

Jeter said, "By being with them more and having the knowledge from

playing in every basketball league, I started saying, 'you know I could do this and be a coach. So, I have some interest from some people, I think that is something that I can see myself doing in my next chapter."

He continued, "However, I am still a pro player, and I want to finish this out first, but if the opportunity presented itself, I would consider it." To address the frustra-

tions in the lack of respect for Black coaches in the industry, the BCA will "develop coaches, improve hiring practices and encourage the use of mental health services for our student-athletes and BCA

### COVID's effects worsen America's racial wealth gap: Blacks own 22 cents for every dollar held by whites Closing gaps would create 1.7 million jobs, add \$300-450 billion to the economy

continues to take lives and infect multiple generations, virtually every dimension of life is challenged. And people with the fewest financial resources before COVID-19 are being challenged more than ever be-

It is both a challenge and an opportunity for leadership in the Biden Administration, Congress, the Federal Housing Finance Agency, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, along with the private sector address to effect policies and practices that reverse the nation's still-growing racial wealth gap. Tried and true wealthbuilding tools like targeted homeownership and expanded small business investments together would bring sustainable and meaningful changes to those who historically have been financially marginalized.

In an effort to better understand and solve the dual sagas wrought from centuries of racial discrimination and COVID, major universities, government agencies, public policy institutes and corporations are releasing new research that analyzes the pandemic's added challenges that exacerbate historical racial inequities.

For example, from January through March of this year, Blacks on average had 22 cents for every dollar of white family wealth, according to the St. Louis Federal Reserve's Institute for Economic Equity These substantial gaps have remained largely unchanged since 1989 to the present, according to the Institute.

The gap's disparities

are also reflected in findings from research conduct-As the global pandemic ed by Harvard University. This esteemed Ivy League institution drew a key distinction between America's income and wealth inequal-

"Income is unequal, but wealth is even more unequal," said Alexandra Killewald, professor of sociology at Harvard, who studies inequality in the contemporary U.S.

"You can think of income as water flowing into your bathtub, whereas wealth is like the water that's sitting in the bathtub," she said. "If you have wealth, it can protect you if you lose your job or your house. Wealth is distinctive because it can be used as a cushion, and it can be directly passed down across generations," providing families more choices and greater opportunity in the present and the future... white Americans are benefiting from legacies of advantage...The typical white American family has roughly 10 times as much wealth as the typical African American family and the typical Latino family."

While the issues raised by the Federal Reserve and Harvard may sound like variations on an old theme, a 150-year-old global financial firm, Goldman Sachs, urges targeted and sustained investment by both the public and private sectors to erase America's racial wealth gap. While the report focuses on Black women, its projected outcomes would benefit Black men as well.

"If the improvements benefit Black women and men alike, we estimate larger increases in U.S.



**CHARLENE CROWELL** 

employment of 1.7 million jobs and in U.S. Gross Domestic Product (GDP) of 2.1%, which corresponds to

\$450 billion per year." Titled, Black Womenomics: Investing in the Underinvested, the March 2021 report calls for access to capital, education, equitable earnings, health care, and housing to lay the groundwork to reverse historical disadvantages, while creating financial independence and personal wealth.

Most importantly, the report calls for the participation of Blacks - and especially Black women -- to shape their own futures.

"[A]ny efforts to effectively address the issues can only be successful if Black women are actively engaged in formulating the strategies and framing the outcomes. Moreover, addressing discrimination and bias will be fundamental to real and sustainable progress...The large wealth gap faced by single Black women is particularly important because Black women are more and increasingly likely to be single and breadwinner mothers...Among Black mothers, more than 80% are breadwinners compared to 50% of white mothers," states the report.

How existing financial disparities leave Black women more financially

a 90% wealth gap; The wage gap

of Black women widens through their whole worklife, and especially rapidly between ages 20 and 35;

Black women are five times more likely than white men to rely on expensive payday loans;

Black women are nearly three times more likely to forego prescription medicine, and also much more likely than white men not to see a doctor because they cannot afford it; and

The median single Black woman does not own a home, and single Black women are 24 times less likely than single white

men to own a business. Additionally, the nation's shortage of affordable housing translates into 85% of Black women with families facing housing costs ranging from more than 30% to 50% of their incomes. Once the monthly rent is paid, these housingburdened households have little left to cover utilities, food, childcare or other household needs.

Even Black families earning a median income will need 14 years just to save a 5% home down payment, according to a recent analysis by the Center for Responsible Lending

A legacy of historically modest incomes and little inter-generational wealth available to be passed down by families leaves most Black Americans without the comparable financial advantages enjoyed by other races and ethnicities.

These and other circumstances lead many women -

vulnerable is found in the especially women of color lars. Although the typical payday loan of \$350 is marketed as a short-term fix to an unexpected expense, the reality for many with modest incomes is that the high-cost loan - which can come with interest as high as 400% -- becomes yet another long-term financial burden that worsens financial strains with [every renewal.

> "Predatory, high-interest lenders pull people down into financial quicksand, making them more likely to experience a range of harms, such as losing their bank account, defaulting on their bills, losing their car, and declaring bankruptcy. It is low-income consumers, and disproportionately communities of color whom the lenders target - that are being harmed," said Ashley Harrington, of CRL in testimony this summer before the U.S. Senate Banking Committee.

The harms of wealth inequality also extend to the broader U.S. economy, according to the Goldman Sachs report. In its view, expanding opportunities for Black women who are often on the bottom rung of the economic ladder can create a pathway to individual and national prosperity. "Overcoming these adverse economic trends would make for not only a fairer, but also a richer society. We estimate that confronting the earnings gap for Black women could create 1.2-1.7 million U.S. jobs and raise the level of annual U.S. gross domestic product (GDP) by 1.4-2.1% each year, or \$300-450 billion in

current dollars."

report's data points: -- to turn to high-cost loans ings underscores the frustra- Black women face of only a few hundred dol- tion felt by much of Black America. The Civil War ended slavery and promised the emancipated 40 acres and a mule. The civil rights laws of the 1960s promised to eliminate discrimination in voting, housing, and public accommodations. Next, the affirmative action programs of the 1970s promised equal opportunity employment in fields that had been previously barred to Blacks and other people of color.

It is time for this nation to make good on its age-old promises. Creating neighborhoods of opportunity from poverty pockets would strengthen cities and suburbs alike. If corporate leadership would join with the Administration and Congress to ensure that Black America and other people of color share in the nation's prosperity, everyone would be better off.

No person and certainly no community will ever beg its way out of poverty. But down payment assistance for first generation, mortgage-ready homebuyers would build family wealth. Similarly, creating an equity investment fund targeted to struggling small Black businesses would preserve neighborhood opportunities, including more permanent jobs. .

In the timeless words of the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., "All we say to America is, 'Be true to what you said on paper."

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# Karen Bass Enters Race for L.A. Mayor

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tions to serve as mayor.

"The people of Los Angeles deserve bold, compassionate, and progressive leaders at every level of government. We need someone who can find consensus at any table and build solutions for all constituents," insisted Kamlager-Dove.

"Congresswoman Karen Bass is the one this city has been waiting for, which is why she has my full-fledged support and endorsement in the L.A. Mayoral race."

L.A. Councilmember Marqueece Harris-Dawson, a longtime friend of Bass, remarked, "I've worked with many talented leaders over the years. Karen Bass is unparalleled in commitment to social and economic justice, unmatched in effectiveness and without peer in tenacity.

"We face unprecedented compounded challenges in our City. It's time for All-Star leadership. I can't wait for Angelenos to propel her into the role of Mayor," he expressed.



Bass has a long history of fighting on behalf of the people. FILE PHOTO

California's 37th congressional district, has attained nationwide stature since being first elected to the office in 2011. Earlier this year, she was named as a possible vice presidential candidate and after U.S. Senator Ka-

Black Caucus.

Prior to her congressional career, she served six years representing the 47th District in the California State Assembly. Bass made history in 2008 when she became the first African

American woman in the country to be elected as Speaker of a state legislative body. During her tenure, she was honored with the John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Award for governance during the Great

Recession that occurred from 2007-2009.

Bass' entry into politics was preceded by her career in grassroots organizing, which was illustrated by her founding of the Community Coalition. She initially

formed the organization to reduce the number of liquor stores in minority neighborhoods, provide meaningful outlets for young people and assist individuals suffering from substance abuse issues. Since starting in 1990, the group has become one of the most influential and resourceful nonprofits in South L.A.

All of the experience that Bass has gained will be put to the test if she's the successful candidate for mayor, and based on her vision posted on her website, she is up for the campaign.

"The potential of Los Angeles is limitless. Los Angeles can be a city where all people have access to quality health care. Los Angeles can be a city where its economy — one of the most robust, intricate and complex economies in the world - can work for everyone," the statement says.

"Los Angeles can be a city where everyone can afford housing, where everyone can be paid livable wages, and where services and resources are provided to help get folks who may



Bass with retired Congresswoman Diane E. Watson FILE PHOTO



Bass helped to spearhead the George Floyd Justice in Policing Act. AP PHOTO

"She has the character, track record, the understanding of the issues and the leadership qualities needed to guide this city into the future," L.A. Councilmember Mark Ridley-Thomas said about Bass in interview.

"Her candidacy for mayor is compelling. She is already a history maker and if she were to become mayor, she would make history again," he declared.

Bass, who is currently the U.S. representative for mala Harris was selected, Bass was among those considered as her replacement.

Her achievements in the House of Representatives are considerable, which further contributed to her stellar reputation. She chairs an August 2021 Sentinel the House Foreign Affairs Sub-Committee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights and International Organizations and the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security. In 2018, Bass was elected chair of the Congressional



In 2008, Bass became the first Black woman to be elected Speaker of the California general election scheduled

have stumbled, back on their feet."

Bass goes up against a diverse group of Democratic opponents. They include L.A. City Attorney Mike Feuer, L.A. Councilmembers Joe Buscaino and Kevin de León, businessman Mel Wilson and Jessica Lall, president/CEO of the Central City Association, a business advocacy organization.

The primary election is slated for June 7, and the for November 8, 2022.

### University of California President Michael V. Drake Leads by Example

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San Francisco campus, as a faculty member for the School of Medicine. He would participate as the Steven P. Shearling Professor of Ophthalmology during his tenure.

The newly positioned UC president cultivated traits that were undeniable. His entire academic career has been intertwined with multiple workings of the University of California and their range of departments. Drake has been chancellor of UC Irvine (nine years,) and systemwide vice president for health affairs (five years.)

Following operations incubated through Drake's direction, UC Irvine saw a pivot in their reputation, premiering as a top-tier school of choice. On record, UC Irvine elevated to the top 10 public universities in U.S. News & World Report's annual list. During Drakes tenure, the four-year graduation rate increased to more than 18 percent. Parallel to the rise in awareness, undergraduate interest and diversity grew significantly.

"I've been a chancellor for nine years, I've been the president of Ohio State University, which is a very large and comprehensive university—and so those experiences all really helped, in preparing me to work with my colleagues, the chancellors here, on campus." Drake continued, "I felt really prepared."

In addition to his personal collegiate experience, Drake oversaw the development of new campuses of law and education in addition to new construction around public health, nursing, and pharmacy. "Half of our business at the University of California is in or at academic medical centers, so I've also been the chair of the board of Association of Academic Health Standards for the U.S."

Drake shared multiple viewpoints from the list of leading positions he took ownership in, he explained his consideration to lead in this measure. He said, "To be honest, having led the research institutions and the public institutions, and the athletic institutions, and the medical center—no one



Drake became the 21st president of the University of California in August of 2020 (PHOTO BY BETTI HALSELL/ L.A. SENTINEL)

else has done it." He saw his wisdom as a tool that needed to be utilized.

Providing his thoughts for the future narrative, Drake has authored and contributed to six books. He was tapped to review several medical journals, including those published under the American Medical Association, Investigative Ophthalmology and Visual Science, and American Journal of Ophthalmology.

Drake is heavily in-

nities of knowledge and his presence has been acknowledged as an honor. He dedicates his time to the National Academy of Medicine, the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. The UC president has

volved in diverse commu-

sat as the former chair of the board of directors of the Association of American Universities. Presently, he serves as a member of the board of directors for the Association of Public and

Land-grant Universities.

Through the lens of a public servant, Drake devoted his energy to a breath of occupations for the American Medical Association, the National Eye Institute, the Association of American Medical Colleges, and a wide range of commissions on health in

the state of California. The former chancellor has received the UCSF School of Medicine's Clinical Teaching Award, the Hogan Award for Laboratory Research, the Chancellor's Award for Public Service, the Martin Luther King, Jr. Award for University Service, the UC Irvine Medal, and the University of California Presidential Medal in recognition of his exemplary service to the University.

Drake prides himself on being a good person. Understanding his purpose, Drake worked on his character throughout his career, which made him an undeniable force. Embodying the 21st president of UC's central network, he will oversee the navigation of 10 campuses, five medical

centers, and three nationally affiliated labs. Drake dissected the mindset of scholars and found the blueprint to human evolution, is through leveling the playing

field through academics. Drake provided the map to his motivation, by stating, "I started like we all do--one step at a time. Get up in the morning, do your homework, and try to move forward—and that's really been my creed. I taught my sons, day-by-day you try to do a good thing, try to do a good job today, and try to do a good job tomorrow. The thing that helped me the most in the leadership position is to think about values—what's important to me and why and try to be true to a set of values on a daily basis."

According to the site, the UC campuses are spread across the state of California and include UC Berkeley, UCLA, UC Santa Barbara, UC San Diego, UC Irvine, UC Davis, UC Santa Cruz, UC Riverside, and UC Merced. For more information, visit www.universityofcalifornia.edu

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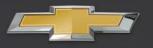






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### NFL Honors Super Bowl LVI with Greening Project

BY AMANDA SCURLOCK Sports Writer

To celebrate Inglewood hosting Super Bowl LVI, the NFL partnered with the L.A. Rams and several other organizations to host a beautification project at Edward Vincent Park on Saturday. Volunteers planted 56 trees at the park to honor Super Bowl LVI.

The event would not have been a success without the 140 volunteers that signed up. Not only did they plant trees, but they planted flowers and other types of foliage. They also took part in a park clean up and painted certain areas of the park.

"Inglewood's Edward Vincent Jr. Park is the perfect place to kick off Super Bowl LVI's community and sustainability efforts," said Los Angeles Super Bowl Host Committee vice president of major events Karina Harold. "We are dedicated to using the spotlight of Super Bowl LVI to positively impact the Inglewood and Los Angeles communities and we look forward to many more projects to come leading up to Super Bowl LVI in February 2022."

Inglewood Mayor James Butts was also in attendance to receive the symbolic Super Bowl "Golden Shovel" that is passed to every Super Bowl host community. Vice president of community impact and executive director of the Glazer Vision Foundation of the

series of Super Bowl LVI community greening projects," said NFL Environmental Program director



Inglewood Mayor James T. Butts, Los Angeles Rams Cheerleaders and mascot Rampage receive the Super Bowl Golden Shovel from Tara Battiato, Tampa Bay Buccaneers. They are joined by Susan and Jack Groh, Directors of the NFL Environmental Program.

Tampa Bay Buccaneers Tara Battiato handed the golden shovel to mayor Butts.

"Today's event marked the passing of the Golden Lakers and the L.A. Kings Shovel, the symbol of Super

Jack Groh.

Mayor Butts recalled the times when Inglewood was the home of the Showtime during the years he served on



Inglewood police officers join in the effort to plant 56 trees at Inglewood's Edward Vincent Junior Park.

Bowl community greening, from the host community of Tampa Bay to the Los Angeles region, and the first in a one NBA team, and The

the Inglewood Police Department. Since he has been mayor, two NFL teams,

L.A. Philharmonic Youth Orchestra Program decided to call Inglewood home.

"The Girl Scouts of greater Los Angeles headquarters are leaving Marina Del Ray to come here and then the NFL media headquarters, NFL Networks are leaving Culver City to come here," Butts said. "Then to come to this event where we're celebrating the transference of the Golden Shovthroughout the Los Angeles area all the way until the Super Bowl. The NFL and the City of Inglewood Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department are partnering to enhance the Queen Park Community Garden. The NFL will also partner with the organization TreePeople to plant trees in Watts.

Boyle Heights-Mott Street Community Garden



More than 100 volunteers helped to plant 56 trees at Inglewood's Edward Vincent Junior Park in honor of Super Bowl IVI.

el ... it's a total renaissance and transformation and a total change in our brand as a city."

Edward Vincent Jr. park is the largest park in the south bay and the oldest park in Inglewood.

"It is the anchor park in the city of Inglewood," Butts said. "These trees will be here decades into the future, so they are a reminder of Inglewood's evolution."

Several other greening projects will be taking place in East LA will be refurbished in partnership with the Los Angeles Conservation Corps; West Carson's Wishing Tree Park Memorial Plaza will be given a large 'wishing tree' with the help of the LA Neighborhood Land Trust. CultivaLA will also install a vertical herb and vegetable garden along with fruit trees at Westlake Community Garden.

The project at Edward Vincent Park was a gift from Tampa Bay with funding from the NFL, the Tampa Bay Super Bowl LV Host Committee and Verizon.

The NFL has been organizing community outreach events to coincide with their major events like the Super Bowl for around 20 years. NFL Green partners with local organizations to plant trees, cultivate community gardens, build places for youth to play, restore habitats and work on reforestation projects.

This kickoff greening project happened on the day before the Los Angeles Rams defeated the reigning Super Bowl champion Buccaneers 34-24.

In March, the Los Angeles Super Bowl Host Committee created the Super Bowl LVI Legacy Program that awarded 56 nonprofit and grassroot organizations with a \$10,000 grant each.



Los Angeles Rams mascot Rampage assists in the planting of 56 trees in honor of Super Bowl LVI at Inglewood's Edward Vincent Junior Park.



## Celebrating Mother Kathryn Chancy 102nd Birthday

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The Chancy Family is honored and thankful to salute and celebrate Mother Kathryn Chancy on her 102nd Birthday, September 27, 2021.

> Mother Kathryn

Chancy in her younger days, was a role model to many. She found Los Angeles to be her Mission Field. She was found serving people: whether it was on skid row, caregiving in the homes of the sick and shut in, seeing about the

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needy, cooking and serving church dinners, or holding prayer meetings at her home. The young and the old looked up to her, for her wisdom and counsel was of the Lord. Her motto was, "If I can help somebody along the way, then I

know, my living shall not be in vain."

There is much we can say about mother, but today we want to say Happy Blessed Birthday, we thank God for you, and we love you Mother Kathryn.



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COURTESY PHOTO

Kathryn Chancy



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"Trinity Skate Park will serve as a place where families and youth will be able to come together and enjoy what their community has to offer— in their own backyard!" said Councilman Curren Price.

CITY NEWS SERVICE

A new skate park has opened at the Trinity Recreation Center.

Los Angeles City Councilman Curren Price and the Department of Recreation and Parks hosted South-Central community members Saturday with food, music and prizes to celebrate the opening.

"One of my office's top priorities is to continue to invest in our local parks, which bring much joy to

families and help keep communities fit healthy," said Price said. "Since coming into office, we have now successfully opened our second skate park in District Nine. Trinity Skate Park will serve as a place where families and youth will be able to come together and enjoy what their community has to offer in their own back-

The 3,000-square-foot skate park has ramps and rails to include all levels of

### New Skate Park Opens at Trinity Recreation Center in Historic South-Central

skaters, and the park has underwent general improvements such as bench-



Councilman Curren Price

es, security lighting, new turf, landscape upgrades, a sustainable irrigation sys-



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The skate park is located on the south side of the recreation center, adjacent to East 25th Street.

tem, hydration station and more than a dozen trees to provide shade.

"This facility serves as an anchor and gathering place for the community, and this skate park gives youth a place to meet with L.A.' people who have the same interest," said Mike Shull, general manager for the

Department of Recreation and Parks. "We hope that this amenity allows athletes to grow in the sport and begin anticipating the arrival of the 2028 Olympic games coming to

The skate park is located on the south side of the recreation center, adjacent to East 25th Street. It is the 29th skate park managed by the Los Angeles Depart-



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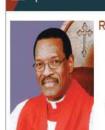
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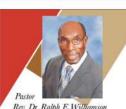


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### St. Brigid Kicks-Off Century of Service by Helping the Homeless

By Cora Jackson-Fossett Religion Editor

Kicking off a century of service, the members of St. Brigid Catholic Church celebrated their 100th anniversary by assisting people less fortunate in their South Los Angeles neighborhood.

The daylong event, held on September 18 at Chesterfield Square Park, offered hot meals, clothing and shoes, personal grooming and more to both homeless individuals and others down-on-their-luck.

Thanks to a collaboration between St. Brigid and local businesses, nonprofits and the office of Coun-Marqueece cilmember Harris-Dawson, scores of people received aid to improve their quality of life.

Surprised by crowds seeking help, St. Brigid Pastor Kenneth Keke remarked, "I really underestimated this [response], but when the people started coming up [for assistance], I was really amazed."

As he greeted people in the park, Keke noted, "This is the best way to preach the Gospel. Preaching from the pulpit is not the solution to our problem. This is 'Practical Gospel' and I'm so happy we did this."

Lavonne Anderson, event chairperson, was equally pleased with the generosity of the donors and volunteers; however,



St. Brigid Pastor Kenneth Keke welcomes to visitors to the event.



Not Your Mama's Kitchen Staff distributed free barbeque dinners.

the number of people needing a helping hand did not surprise her. A native of the area, Anderson said that she noticed the growing encampment as she drove past the park on Sundays on her way to church.

"I could see the tents starting to pop up. I was like, 'We need to do something over there,' and this is my way of doing that," Anderson said. "One of our parishioners called today, 'The Miracle on 54th Street.' I'm happy to be a part of that miracle."

As a result of Anderson's invitation, several members volunteered time, talents and treasures to the occasion. The contributions included new and gently used clothes and shoes along with new underwear, hygiene/toiletry bags, roomy backpacks, and disposable diapers.

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Your Mama's Kitchen distributed more than 150 barbeque, string beans and potato salad dinners, Nails by SaVerne provided about 30 manicures, 10 people used the mobile showers operated by LavamaeX, and the 54th Street Seventh-Day Adventist Church passed out 88 bags of gro-

Guests could obtain COVID-19 testing and vaccinations as well from a booth sponsored by Harris-Dawson's office. Additional stalls provided free housing and shelter information, mental health counseling, and educational resources.

"We had Good Fred's Barbershop here and they have been giving free haircuts and facial grooming all day," said Donna Horton, who staffed the free clothing booth with other parishioners. "Good Fred's is from the community on

54<sup>th</sup> Street and they've been around since the 1960s."

Jacquelyn Glover, a barber at Good Fred's, was on hand along with her son, Kieshon Smith, and her co-worker, Cameron Ellis, who is the grandson of barbershop's owner, Steve Ellis. They all expressed appreciation for the opportunity to aid other people.

"We come out and give back to our community with free cuts, linings and hairstyles to make the homeless in the community feel good about themselves. One thing I've learned is when you give, it comes back to you fourfold. I'm a believer in God and put Him first in everything that I do," insisted Glover.

Ellis commented that donating services was common practice for the Good Fred's team. "We tend to give back to the community quite often. We part-

nered with a group called Brown Bag Lady and every first of the month; we are downtown cutting as well. Whenever we have a chance to give back, we do," Ellis said.

The concept of giving wasn't lost on Smith, a young college student who is also a freelance photographer. Describing the event as "pretty cool," Smith admitted, "I have definitely enjoyed being here. It's been great just seeing people making other people happy as far as the music, getting your nails done, getting your hair cut, and giving out clothes and food. And it wasn't just homeless people, it was all types from everywhere!"

Several other groups either donated or sponsored items at the event including Reena Shah of Chado Tea Rooms, Chirag Shah of Tulsi Indian Eatery, Eliza-



Cameron Ellis of Good Fred's Barbershop grooms a local resident.

beth Weinberg of NLSLA, and Joan Forbes of Our Children Our Future, Inc. Other participants were KJLH Radio Street Team, National Alliance of Mental Illness (NAMI), Biscuits and Gravy disc jockeys, and Assurant, which gave out free cell phones and tablets.

St. Brigid plans more festivities to mark the parish's 100th anniversary. On December 4, the Los Angeles City Council will designate the corner of 52<sup>nd</sup> and Western as St. Brigid Square and on December 5, a special 100th anniversary Mass will take place.

"In 2022, we'll have the 100th anniversary concert and a gala at the Skirball Center," added Chairperson Anderson. "We're excited about the future, but, also happy about today, too. St. Brigid has always been a beacon in the community and about giving back to the community. This was a day of service and it was something that we needed to do."



Lavonne Anderson, second from left, poses with other volunteers from St. Brigid Catholic Church.



From left are Valerie Vernado, Donna Horton, Candice Zomalt, Jan Davis, and Therese White staffed the clothing table, which had items for children and adults of all sizes.

### Faith Film Festival Closes with Pastors' Film Review & Roundtable

Local Pastors, community leaders and clergy announce their film picks from this year's Faith-based Film Festival.

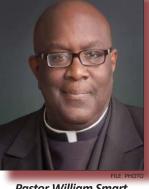
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The Black Hollywood Education and Resource Center (BHERC) extended the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual BHERC Faith-Based & Inspirational Film Festival (FBIFF) through Sunday, October 3, to allow additional access and viewing of the films.

Curated from 1,000+ entries from across the globe, the selection committee programmed 34 films for this year's festival. Initially scheduled to be a hybrid event, the rise in the Delta variant of the COVID - 19 virus led to the festival being held online and currently streaming 24/7 on www.BHERC. TV. To obtain festival tickets, visit www.BHERC.TV.

The FBIFF started in 2019 out of a request from the Christian community to provide an opportunity for filmmakers to create faithbased films to share them with the public.

According to leading



**Pastor William Smart** 

pastors, what makes the BHERC FBIFF unique is the partnership with sacred and faith-based partners that share a common interest in promoting films to uplift the communities they

"We have the opportunity to encourage filmmakers who create and tell stories about faith and family, and that helps us do our work," stated the Rev. William D. Smart, SCLC-SC president and co-pastor of Christ Liberation Minis-

"This year will be a compelling occasion and requires the extended dates with the growing need for hope and inspiration of every form."

Other partners include



Pastor Najuma Smith Pollard

Pastor John Cager of Ward AME Church, Pastor Walter Contreras of National Latino Evangelical Coalitional, Pastor James K. McKnight of Church of Christian Fellowship, the Rev. Jonathan Moseley of National Action Network - Western Region, the Rev. Kelvin Sauls of Community Health Councils, Pastor Najuma Smith Pollard of Word of Encouragement Community Church, Pastor Thembekela Smart of Christ Liberation Ministries, Pastor K.W. Tulloss of Weller Street Baptist Church and president of the Baptist Ministers Conference of L.A. and Southern California, Pastor James Thomas of Living Word

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Strong-Fargas of Mount Salem/New Wave Church and Elder Joe Paul, Jr., of the City of Refuge.

At the closing pro-

gram, the partners will discuss their selections from the festival. In addition, the audience will have a chance to ask questions of the roundtable.

The objective of the FBIFF is to build an audience for and promote and encourage the awareness, appreciation, and understanding of faith-based and inspirational films, according to Sandra Evers-Manly, BHERC president and founder.

"Keeping with our theme, BHERC seeks to AMPLIFY the films and filmmakers of the Christian and Inspirational genre. Our mandate is to exhibit the most amazing faithbased and inspirational content we can find from every part of the world,"

she said. "There is an important audience out there waiting to support faith-based and inspirational films. BHERC wants to connect that audience with those films and filmmakers."

For festival tickets or to obtain more information, log on to www.BHERC.TV.



### Talk Freedom to the People: Framing Our Future in Struggle

As we of the Organization Us closeout a monthlong celebration of our 56th anniversary, I want to reshare with you an article I previously wrote concerning the praise and practice of freedom. For it is in the five broad areas of our liberation struggle, i.e., education, mobilization, organization, confrontation and transformation, that freedom is liberating and liberated ground on which we stand.

In the fierce and inhuman face of oppression and unfreedom that we confronted in the Sixties, we stood up and declared and demanded of ourselves and others that we talk freedom to the people. And over five decades later, we have not abandoned, diluted or deviated from this indispensable ethical imperative and practice. For conditions of oppression and unfreedom remain even today and thus the fight remains unfinished and the struggle must continue, deepen and intensify. So, let us continue to talk freedom to the people. Tell them liberating and liberated things, things that free their hearts and minds, cause their spirits to soar and cultivate in them an active and passionate commitment to pursue and practice freedom from all forms oppression. Talk freedom to the people. Free them from constraining external pressures and internal urges to doubt themselves, deny themselves, condemn themselves and mutilate them-

selves. Tell them that to free themselves, they must be themselves, that degrading adjustment is not justice, and that the happy hour of liqueurs, liquors and laughs after work or dinner don't solve problems or really ease oppression. Talk freedom to the people,

free them of the illusions manufactured as a matter of course in a land where lying is a way of life for the self-appointed saviors and wealth worshiping wardens of an imprisoning society. I speak here of a society not satisfied with denying and limiting liberties and rights, but also needing to narrow the mind in its thinking, constrict the heart in its caring, and make the people accept this as normal, even necessary.

Speak freedom to the people, cause them to see what Min. Malcolm told and taught us that there is no substitute for freedom, that "freedom is essential to life." Moreover, it is part of what it means to be human and indispensable to living a good and meaningful life and coming into the fullness of ourselves. Tell them it is their right and responsibility to be free, free from domination, deprivation and degradation. Free from the domination of others regardless of race, class, sex, religion, sexuality, ability, age or any other excuse and concocted way to oppress.

Tell them too they have

the right and responsibility to be free from the deprivations of poverty and powerlessness; hunger and food insecurity; lack of access to clean water, air and sanitation; homelessness and lack of adequate and affordable housing and healthcare; inferior and oppressive education; joblessness; official and unofficial violence; and alienation from people as fellow human beings. And tell them, they have a right to be respected, regardless of differences and diversity, and a similar responsibility not to disrespect ourselves by letting the oppressor be our teacher. That is to say, imitating him in ways that flatter him and flatten and



DR. MAULANA KARENGA

falsify our conception of ourselves as "Blackish," "mixed-ish," and slavish to fashionable, funded and favored terms and ways of the dominant society.

Speak freedom to the people. Tell them free themselves from self-denying, self-damaging and self-condemning ways. Encourage them to think freely and focus firmly on their enduring beauty, creativity, adaptive vitality and durability, their resilience and resourcefulness and their unsurpassed history of striving, struggle and resistance. Help develop in them, as Molefi Asante tells us, the will and way to cultivate a victorious consciousness which resists and rejects any feelings of despair or fears of defeat.

Talk freedom to the people. Speak a liberating truth to the people. As Mari Evans, poet of deep vision and struggle said, "Speak truth to the people . . . . Free the mind of the people." Indeed, "Free them with honesty. Free the people with Love and Courage of their Being." And then, they will be ready to unite, build and struggle. "Talk sense to the people," she told us. There is no need for lies, illusions, half-truths and mind-dulling mystification.

We must speak the truth of oppression and the human suffering it causes and sustains, speaking of our own and yet linking it to and finding common cause with other peoples. For it is a central and enduring ethical teaching of our honored ancestors that we are to "bear witness to truth and set the scales of justice in their proper place among those who have no voice," the vulnerable and devalued, the poor, the less powerful and the oppressed.

Talk freedom to the people, then, speak to them about Haiti, the hidden and hushed subject; about Palestine, the prohibited subject; and about the Rohingya of Burma, the Uighurs of China and the Yemeni, a subject deemed irrelevant by the daily and nightly news. Talk of the savage and inhumane occupations of the people's land and lives, the totalitarian violence on every level including against children, ethnic cleansing campaigns and the refusal of the right to return, the imprisonment of millions and deculturization concentration camps, and the criminal indiscriminate genocidal bombing against

the peoples. Talk freedom to the people. Tell them, where there is oppression, there is resistance, and thus these peoples and all the oppressed of the world are in various forms of resistance and struggles for freedom. Convince them that the oppressor can never have the

same moral status of the oppressed in any moral system, no matter who the oppressor is and that neither race, religion or ruling fantasies about being elect and elite, superior, chosen or champions for their grossly flawed notions of civilization can override the human rights of persons and peoples to be free, to practice self-determination and pursue their own notion of the good.

Talk freedom to the people. Tell them that the denial of climate change is not a life-preserving option. For the forests are on fire more often with greater intensity; the glaciers are melting; the seas are rising, erasing coastlines and sinking islands; droughts and flooding happen simultaneously; extreme weather is occurring everywhere and the seasons seem less distinct. Tell them to resist talk that people will adjust or are adjusting. For they are not adjusting, but coping. To talk of adjustment in the face of such devastation and decline is to minimize the severity of the problem, the suffering of the people, the urgency of the situation and the requirements necessary to correct it.

Speak freedom to the people. Remind them of the words of wisdom and righteous struggle of Harriet Tubman on the life and death struggle that must be waged for freedom when it is denied or threatened with loss or unjust limitations. She tells and teaches us, "we must go free or die, and freedom is not bought with dust." That is to say, it cannot be bought with little cost and no casualties. And, of course, it will not come from the self-corrected conscience or change of heart of the oppressors and the unrepentant and rapacious rulers and ruiners of human lives. It will only come from the righteous and relentless struggle of the people, themselves.

Malcolm said it; we heard it and dared to live it. He said that "wherever Black people are is a battleline." And we turned this teaching into a battle cry and commitment to struggle, saying "Everywhere a battleline, every day a call to struggle." So, here we are still in righteous and relentless struggle to free ourselves and be ourselves, to make our way in the world as African persons and people, and with others similarly committed, to break the back of all forms of oppression, hidden, disguised or arrogantly open. In this way, we dare to frame and forge our future in struggle and in the most ethical, effective and expansive ways.

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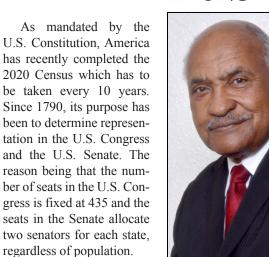
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Redistricting means that electoral districts in each state should have equal numbers, so that representation is proportional to the number of people in the state.

Clearly, such a process as mandated by the U.S. Constitution is meant to involve all the people covered by the Census count and people living in the areas



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being counted. These elements then require outreach to ensure the inclusion of all people. This legal obligation then becomes a matter of "Public Policy", not one of selective inclusion of portions of the population. This is why the Census uses the language of "communities of inclusion" or "COI". This inclusion of the

people carries with it "public comment" which is the opportunity for the people to comment on that which is being proposed by elements or agencies of the government that have been given "delegated authority". Those who carry out delegated duties are limited to actions under their delegated authority. This is because they are not elected themselves by the people who elect the legislators.

Following the logic and the California Constitution, as well as Federal Statutes,

"outreach" in redefining the electoral districts at the State, County and local levels has not been inclusive of the people of California, but rather a hand picked few purporting to be "representatives of the people".

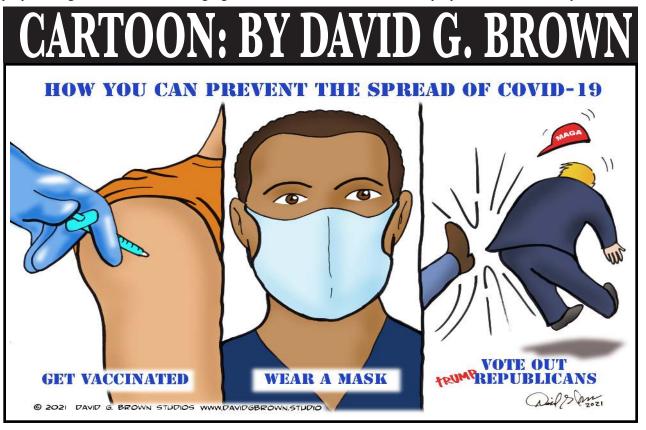
California Statutes require "newspapers of general circulation" as instruments of public notice or "outreach". This has not been done.

Rather, a decision has been made that social media and the internet is sufficient to substitute for the legal requirements. This is

a lawsuit waiting to happen. Now that Redistricting Commissions at the State, County, and local levels have been made aware of their failure to follow the law, the only issue is will they do anything to correct the problem in the time remaining. After maps are drawn and submitted it will be too late to make changes.

Something to think

Dr. John E. Warren, Publisher, The San Diego Voice and Viewpoint



### Marcus Delgado is The Director Who Can Do This From Day One

Marcus Delgado is the rumored favorite of the Biden administration to be the next director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USTPO). It's time that President Biden made the nomination rumor a reality, so the Senate can swiftly confirm him.

If you're wondering why I care enough to speak out about this highly technical, legal position that most Americans rarely, if ever, think about, it's because I've lived through the last year and a half of the CO-VID-19 pandemic like you. I felt frustration and anger when our children's homes were turned into their virtual classrooms, yet only 1 in 3 African American homes with school-aged children had high-speed internet. I worried about what life after the pandemic would look like for longterm medical treatments

and technologies that might be out of financial reach for our poorest communities in the name of protecting pharmaceutical companies' intellectual property and bottom lines. Issues like the digital divide, medication and medical technology pricing, and a host of others that affect all our lives land at the doorstep of the director of the USPTO. The USPTO protects and regulates all the intellectual property and new technology that we can't live without. That's why I care who President Biden and the US Senate puts in that seat.

You may not yet know Marcus Delgado, but in the world of patents and trademarks, he's an accomplished and respected household name. In fact, there's probably a piece of technology in your home or office whose patent history includes the name Marcus



**HAZEL N. DUKES** 

Delgado. What has Marcus Delgado done to earn my praise? He's the proud son of a single mother educator, product of Chicago's South Side who taught himself computer programming before he was finished with elementary school. At every major turn in his life, he did what every successful African American in this country has had to do: when folks told him all the things he couldn't do, he said "just

watch me." When he was told that getting a degree in physics from Boston University then a JD from UCLA Law was beyond his capabilities', he got those degrees anyway. When he was discouraged from pursuing patent law – one of the hardest specialties there is - because it would be too much for him, he passed the California patent and trademark bar on his first try. Then, for more than 20 years, he served as the chief intellectual property and patent counsel for Fortune 100 companies like AT&T and Cox Enterprises. But most importantly for me, Marcus Delgado lives what I've been preaching my whole life: lift while we climb. For example, while he was at Cox Enterprises, he launched its first career pipeline program for African American college stu-

I've been in this fight for equal representation and opportunity for more than seven decades. I've seen too many talented and qualified African American men and women overlooked because they didn't fit the mold of those in positions of power and influence. Or they don't look like who preceded them. It wasn't just a shame for those who remained invisible to those in power; it was a loss for all of us for the leadership, innovation, progress, and solutions they could've offered us.

Mr. Delgado wants to lend his intellect, imagination, and experience to public service and that's an offer we'd be foolish to turn down. Furthermore, the USPTO must earn the confidence of the titans of technology in this country and abroad, watchdog groups, and basement entrepreneurs

with big dreams. Mr. Delgado is the Director who can do this from Day One.

President Biden and US Senators: Marcus Delgado has earned and deserves our support not just because he'll be the first African American director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office-but because he'll be the director who will see the challenges we face as another opportunity to prove the doubters wrong.

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PASTOR WILLIAM D. SMART, JR

# Policymakers should support policies that make it more affordable for everyone to access rooftop solar

It is a story as old as this country: a new technology is developed, programs and policies are offered to help consumers to adopt the technology and bring down the costs over time, and just when people in Black and Brown communities are beginning to be able to afford the technology and benefit from it – the programs and policies are often taken

Although this narrative is repeated time and again, it is wrong and harmful to our communities. We must stand up and oppose any proposal that will make it more expensive for people in our community to access solar. Rooftop solar panels can dramatically reduce energy bills and prevent blackouts.

Nothing reminds us more about the need for rooftop solar than getting our utility bills during these hot summer months – especially during a heat wave when warnings for both energy flexing and rolling blackouts are a constant those with chronic medical conditions, and anyone who cannot afford to get out of town to cooler weather, a reprieve from both the heat and high electricity bills can be challenging.

To help Californians with this exact issue, as well as to help take pressure off our sensitive power grid, the state devised Net Energy Metering (NEM). Essentially, when extra electricity generated by customer-owned solar panels is transferred to the electric grid to be utilized by others in the community, the customer who produced that electricity is paid for the electricity they share with their neighbors. In sharing this clean energy with neighbors, pressure is being taken off our maxedout power grid and saving folks' money on their electricity bills.

How it works is that the owner that houses these solar panels, usually a residence or community building like a church or school,



WILLIAM D. SMART, JR.

is then credited an amount similar to what consumers would otherwise pay for the amount of excess electricity they produced. This credit is the financial incentive that allows low- and middle-income Californians the ability to afford and install rooftop solar.

Today, nearly half of all new rooftop solar is going into working and middleincome neighborhoods. The NEM program has been working and is the reason solar is more affordable and accessible than ever before.

And, like we've seen happen time and again, now that more and more homes and buildings in our communities are able to access rooftop solar, you have to ask, why do utilities want to take that away?

In their plan proposed to the California Public Utilities Commission, which is reviewing the NEM program right now, the utilities propose charging new solar users, which includes lowto middle-income users, up to \$90 more per month in energy bills. In addition, they propose increasing energy bills for new churches, schools or non-profit solar customers up to \$3,400 more PER MONTH.

Furthermore, through slashing the current solar credit by 77%, the utility companies are creating barriers for residents to send surplus electricity back to the grid for their neighbors to use, which in turn only exposes the electric grid to greater impacts from wildfires and excessive heat

They do not mention that these same utilities charged customers nearly

\$20 billion in transmission line projects between 2010 and 2019 and collected more than \$20 billion in profits over a similar time period according to the California Public Utilities Commission. Yet the utility companies' proposal will not help to alleviate these ongoing costs or curb their profits. Are we to believe that our electricity bills will decrease if the utility companies carry out their plan?

If the utilities get their way, only people like Elon Musk will be able to afford rooftop solar. The momentum that is growing to install more and more rooftop solar in our communities will end.

It's appropriate to review and modify the solar program to make sure that people in our community have better access to solar so that we all can save. The state can make adjustments to expand access even more, and we should all advocate for these types of changes.

However, the plan being put forward by the utilities

will not benefit us. If we use history as our guide – the utilities have long lobbied against many major proposals that would have helped our communities adopt solar and battery storage, including affordable housing solar incentives, community solar, and microgrids.

Just as we are starting to see the benefits of rooftop solar in our communities, why should we believe the utilities are now focused on helping us, while they are actively lobbying to take away the benefits that have made solar accessible in our

We need to be vigilant and hold utilities and their supporters accountable when they attempt to tell us their plan will help our communities. Their idea of a cost shift is shifting the costs away from them, so all of us pay more.

William Pastor Smart, Jr., President and CEO of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference of Southern California

MARC H. MORIAL

### Gymnasts' Demand For Justice Is A Powerful Display Of Courage And Grace

"I sit before you today to raise my voice so that no little girl must endure what I, the athletes at this table, and the countless others who needlessly suffered under Nassar's guise of medical treatment, which we continue to endure today. We suffered and continue to suffer because no one at the FBI, USAG or the USOPC did what was necessary to protect us. We have been failed, and we deserve answers." - U.S. Olympic Gymnastics Champion Simone Biles, testimony to Senate Judiciary Commit-

Just 17-years-old in June of 2015, Maggie Nichols disclosed to USA Gymnastics officials that the organization's team doctor, Larry Nassar, had been molesting her since she was 15. Furthermore, she said she suspected that Nassar was abusing her friend and

teammate Simone Biles as

USA Gymnastics waited more than a month to report the allegations to the FBI, by which time a private investigator had identified at least six victims, including McKayla Maroney and Aly Raisman. After receiving the report, the FBI did almost nothing. When agents finally scheduled an interview weeks later with McKayla Maroney, then 19, it was only to get USA Gymnastics "off of our back," according to inves-

For nearly three hours, Maroney described to FBI agents -- over the phone, in graphic detail -- the six years of sexual abuse she endured at Nassar's hands. She called it "the most uncomfortable conversation I had ever had in my life."

The agents who interviewed her took almost no



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notes and filed no reports. It would be another year and a half, after an Indianapolis Star investigation brought renewed attention to Nassar, before Nichols, Biles, and Raisman finally were interviewed, and a wildly inaccurate and misleading report of Maroney's interview was filed.

Despite the trauma of their abuse and betrayal by

a system stacked against them at every turn, these four young women found the courage not only to seek justice for themselves and the hundreds of Nassar's other victims, but also to stand before the U.S. Senate to tell their stories and demand accountability for those who failed them so completely.

The testimony of Biles, Maroney, Nichols and Raisman at last week's hearing was both heartbreaking and enraging to witness. But it was clear to see that the same fortitude, resilience, and strength of spirit that made them athletic champions also drives their unshakeable quest for justice.

As Department of Justice Inspector General Michael E. Horowitz, whose report revealed the dismal failings of the FBI's Nassar investigation, testified, "These gymnasts showed

remarkable bravery by coming forward to detail the shocking sexual assaults that they had endured from a USA Gymnastics medical doctor (Nassar) at the same time they were competing at the highest levels for our country. And, as you also heard today, these

athletes reported this abuse with the hope and the belief that their actions would save other young women and girls from the serial abuse that they had endured. Sadly, as our report indicates, the response of the FBI agents who received that information betrayed their law enforcement responsibilities and their duties to these victims."

It is hard to imagine a more demoralizing, disheartening experience than that which these gymnasts endured. They had every justification to surrender to

despair and abandon hope. But they could not walk away from the opportunity to prevent what happened to them from happening to other girls and young women. For that, they deserve not only our admiration and respect, but our every effort to hold those responsible to account.

"Nassar is where he belongs, but those who enabled him deserve to be held accountable," Biles testified "If they are not, I am convinced that this will continue to happen to others across Olympic Sports ... A message needs to be sent: If you allow a predator to harm children, the consequences will be swift and severe. Enough is enough."

Marc H. Morial serves as the President and CEO of the National Urban League.



WINDOW





### I Cry For Black Men and Their Health

Unfortunately, death becomes an unwanted visitor to our homes and family leaving pain, suffering and hurt. Last week my oldest male cousin on the paternal side of my family, Benny Rene Harris, passed away. We were both raised by our grandmother, but due to our age difference we spent limited time together. Like many of us, Ben's life had many ups and downs, highs

and lows, sorrows, and setbacks. But I am proud to say during the last decade of his life, he truly dedicated his life and work to serving the Lord. He was active in his church and various other ministries extending his gifts and talents anyway and anywhere he could. Over the years, Ben and I had established a routine of checking in weekly to see how the other

one was doing and what was going on in our lives. One day he shared with me that he was not feeling well and that something was wrong. I urged him to go to the doctor and get checked out. For some reason many men, especially Black men hesitate to go to the doctor. After getting checked he found out that he was struggling with various illnesses including cancer.

Recently when he called me from his hospital bed, and he asked me to come and see him I told him I would be right there. After detailed discussions with his doctor, I realized that his time was running out. Eventually he was moved from the hospital and was transferred to a healthcare center and then finally to hospice. Ben felt alone because he never married, never had children, and lived alone most of his life. I wanted to make sure he knew and felt that he was not alone. His last words to me were that he wanted to make sure I was happy, that I take care of my health and that I always remember that he "loved me too much." Ben, I will miss you on this side of heaven, but I look forward to seeing you at the crystal river. Thank you for your spirit and for your unconditional love my cousin. Although you never got married and

you never had children,

your legacy will live on in the hearts and minds of all of us who loved you.

The loss of my beloved cousin made me think about how many Black men are dying because of their failure and refusal to have routine medical checkups. I began to research this subject and was taken aback by the health crisis Black men are experiencing. There are so many reasons I believe people (especially men of color) are hesitant to take care of their health. The Tuskegee Study of Untreated Syphilis in the Black male conducted between 1932 and 1972 that left Black men to suffer from the disease has caused Black men to have a lingering distrust of the medical system. But the reality is the health of Black men continues to be worse than that of nearly all other groups in the United States. On average, Black men die more than 7 years earlier

than do women of all races,

and Black men die younger than all other groups of men, except Native Ameri-

As a wife and a mother of sons and grandsons, it concerns me deeply that of all the men in the United States, Black men have unique health concerns that include diabetes, hypertension, and obesity, just to name a few. It is important for us to encourage the men in our lives to stay on top of their health. We do not need to cry for them before it is truly their time. Rest in peace Brother Ben. I love you too much!

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Remember what James, our Lord's brother said, James 1:6,7 "...when you ask, you must believe and not doubt, because the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea blown and tossed by the wind. "Don't expect to receive anything from the Lord." Doubt and indecisiveness permeates our world and in our

lives. Yes. We would like to ning of wisdom." Proverbs know for sure in advance that what we do and think will yield positive fruit and productivity. But, we don't know that. However, there is a way to know we are moving in the right direction. We need wisdom and aligning ourselves to use it. "The reverence and respect of the Lord is the begin-

9:10. Wisdom and understanding can give us longer life. Leading a healthier life can be a part of that.

Do you remember the Great Prophet Elijah? 1 Kings chapter 18 details an exciting account of Elijah's faith and obedience. King Ahab and his wife Jezebel were engrained

idolaters. There was a severe famine and drought in its third year. Ahab called for Obadiah who was over the palace and to search out the land for food for the animals, horses and mules.. Elijah met Obadiah suddenly. Elijah was bold and masterful in his demand to Obadiah to go and tell Ahab that I am here. Obadiah was afraid because of his fear of death from Ahab. Ahab had been looking of Elijah, devout monotheist (serving the one true God Jehovah). Ahab called Elijah "a troubler." Ahab in his anxiety over the drought and famine called together the prophets who worshipped the false gods of Baal and Israelites on Mount Carmel. Ahab challenged Elijah, who said to all the people, "How long will you waver between two opinions?" If the LORD is God, follow him. But, if Baal is God, follow him." This contest

was to determine who is The Holy One and who is the false god. The bull for the false prophets was prepared first to avoid the appearance of fraud. They called on the name of Baal for many hours seemingly at least eight or so. They hopped around the altar that was prepared..leaping and hopping. All to no avail. Elijah There was no voice or sound of life coming from the prepared sacrifice, the bull. Elijah built a trench and an altar with stones. He dug a trench. He poured water on the wood which ran down around the altar and even filled the trench. His prayer, "let it be known today that you are the only true God and turn their hearts back to you again. When God sent his holy fire down which consumed the altar. Elijah prayed and reminded God. I have done all these things as you have commanded. Elijah had the false proph-

ets seized the four hundred fifty prophets of Baal and would not release them from their death. After these things, Elijah called for the rain to return. The false prophets would not turn their hearts to serve the one true LORD Jehovah. They would not free themselves from doubt, fear, greed. The false prophets had to be destroyed for their worshipping false gods. What do you want from the Lord? Go to him in faith, nothing doubting. Just ask.

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No. 21CMCP00125 Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles Petition of: Brenda Early for Change of Name
TO ALL INTERESTED
PERSONS:

Petitioner Brenda Early filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as

Brenda Ronice Early to Brenda Ronice Ward The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a

hearing. Notice of Hearing: Date: 11-30-2021, Time: 8:30 AM, Dept.: A, Room: 904 The address of the court is 200 W. Compton Blvd., Compton, CA 90220 A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: L.A. Sentinel Date: September 21, 2021 Date: September 21, 2021 Thomas D. Long Judge of the Superior Court 9/30, 10/7, 10/14, 10/21/21 CNS-3516225# LOS ANGELES SENTINEL

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No. 21CMCP000885 Case No. 21CMCP000885 Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles Petition of: Courtland Ciel Carey for Change of Name

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner Courtland Ciel Carey filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Courtland Ciel Carey to Courtland Ciel Carey-Crook The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter appear before this

matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of anne should not be granted.

Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a bearing.

hearing. Notice of Hearing: Date: 11/23/2021, Time: 8:30 AM, Dept.: A, Room: 904 The address of the court is

200 West Compton Blvd., Compton, CA 90061 A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Los Angeles Sentinel Date: July 9, 2021

ט. Long Judge of the Superior Court 9/30, 10/7, 10/14, 10/21/21 CNS-3516218# LOS ANGELES SENTINEL

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. 21STCP03045 Superior Court of California,

County of Los Angeles
Petition of: Dana Denise Phillips for Change of Name
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner Dana Denise Phillips filed a petition with this

court for a decree changing names as follows: Dana Denise Phillips to Dana

Denise Phillips Bey
The Court orders that all
persons interested in this
matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a

Notice of Hearing:
Date: November 01, 2021,
Time: 10:00 a.m., Dept.: 74, Room: 735 The address of the court is 111 North Hill Street, :Los

Angeles, CA 90012 A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Los Angeles Sentinel Date: September 15, 2021 Michelle Williams Court Judge of the Superior Court 9/30, 10/7, 10/14, 10/21/21

CNS-3516199# LOS ANGELES SENTINEL

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Case No. 21CMCP00121 Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles Petition of: Jim Cruz, Alejandre, Coronel for Change of Name TO ALL INTERESTED

PERSONS: Petitioner Jim Cruz, Alejandre, Coronel filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Jim Cruz, Alejandre, Coronel to Jim, Cruz, Alejandre Coronel

The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at

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the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a

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least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Los Angeles Sentinel Date: September 17, 2021 Thomas D. Long

Judge of the Superior Court 9/23, 9/30, 10/7, 10/14/21 CNS-3514100# LOS ANGELES SENTINEL

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. 21BBCP00389
Superior Court of California,
County of Los Angeles Petition of: Jessica Lynn Koch for Change of Name TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Petitioner Jessica Lynn Koch filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Jessica Lynn Koch to Jay

Sosa Koch

Sosa Koch The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a

hearing. Notice of Hearing: Date: November 12, 2021, Time: 8:30 am, Dept.: A The address of the court is 300 East Olive Ave, Burbank, CA 91502

A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Los Angeles Sentinel Date: September 14, 2021 Date: September 14, 2021 Darrell Mavis Judge of the Superior Court 9/23, 9/30, 10/7, 10/14/21 CNS-3512582# LOS ANGELES SENTINEL

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. 21NWCP00340 Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles

County of Los Angeles Lee Petition of: Jacob Lee Hiltzman for Change of Name TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Petitioner filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Jacob Lee Hiltzman to Jacob Lee Young
The Court orders that all

persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection

granted. In written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
Notice of Hearing:
Date: 11/01/2021, Time: 10:30
AM, Dept.: C, Room: 312
The address of the court is 12720 Negwelly Blyd, rm 101 12720 Norwalk Blvd, rm 101, Norwalk 90650 A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the date set for healing of the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Los Angeles Sentinel Date: 9/3/2021

Judge Margaret M. Bernal Judge of the Superior Court 9/23, 9/30, 10/7, 10/14/21 CNS-3512511# LOS ANGELES SENTINEL

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. 21STCP02939

Superior Court of California. County of Los Angeles
Petition of: Sharon Atkins for Change of Name ALL INTERESTED

PERSONS: Petitioner Sharon Atkins filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Sharon Atkins to Terri Sharon

Atkins
The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a

hearing. Notice of Hearing: Date: October 25, 2021, Time: 9:30 AM, Dept.: 26, Room: 316
The address of the court is

Los Angeles Superior Court, 111 North Hill Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012 A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Los Angeles Sentinel Date: September 7, 2021

Jadge of the Superior Court 9/16, 9/23, 9/30, 10/7/21 CNS-3511255# LOS ANGELES SENTINEL

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. 21TRCP00195 Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles

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Petition of: Duon Phillip Washington on behalf of Amaya Unique Williams-Coleman for Change of Name TO ALL INTERESTED TO ALL PERSONS:

Petitioner Duon Phillip Washington on behalf of Amaya Unique Williams-Coleman filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Amayra Unique Williams-Coleman to Amayra Unique Williams-Washington The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter appear before this

court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a

hearing: Notice of Hearing: Date: 10/8/2021, Time: 8:30, Dept.: B address of the court is 825 Maple Avenue, Torrance, CA 90503

A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Los Angeles Sentinel Date: 8/23/2021

Date: 8/23/2021 Gary Y. Tanaka Judge of the Superior Court 9/9, 9/16, 9/23, 9/30/21 CNS-3508298# LOS ANGELES SENTINEL

#### **FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES**

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT File No. 2021209742

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

1. THE SEO QUEEN, 2.
TSQ MARKETING, 1308
W BAKER STREET, LONG BEACH, CA 90810 County of LOS ANGELES Registered owner(s):

ZHELINRENTICE SCOTT, 1308 W. BAKER ST, LONG BEACH, CA 90810 This business is conducted by an Individual The registrant(s) started doing

business on N/A.

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false to military of a misdemonoper. is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars

(\$1,000)). S/ Zhelinrentice Scott, Owner This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920. where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictifious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the

Affidavit of Identity form.

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal. State or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT File No. 2021 209970 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

1. Chef Jade's Journey 2. Cooking With Jade 3. J and Z, 1824 S. Beverly Glen Blvd

204, Los Angeles, CA 90025, County of Los Angeles Registered owner(s): Brandon Ross, 1824 S. Beverly Glen Blvd 204, Los Angeles, CA 90025 Tori Ross, 1824 S. Beverly Glen Blvd 204, Los Angeles,

CA 90025 This business is conducted by: a Married Couple The registrant commenced to transact business under

the fictitious business name names listed above on I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material

matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars Tori Rodd, Wife

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on September 21,

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the Affidavit of Identity form.

Affidavit of Identity roun.
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or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS

NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2021197532

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: LINDA'S MOBILE NOTARY SERVICE, 11249 CORNISH

AVENUE, Lynwood, CA 90262 County of LOS ANGELES

Registered owner(s): LINDA KERR BRADSHAW, 11249 CORNISH AVE, LYNWOOD, CA 90262

The registrant(s) started doing business on 07/2021.

I declare that all information

in this statement is true and

correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material

matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the

registrant knows to be false

is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars

(\$1,000)). S/ LINDA KERR BRADSHAW,

NOTICE-In accordance with

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change

17920, where it expires 40 days after any change

in the facts set forth in the

statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change

in the residence address of

a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name

Statement must be filed

before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement

must be accompanied by the Affidavit of Identity form.

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name

in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section

14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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statement was filed

the County Clerk of Angeles County on

an Individual

Owner

09/02/2021

Original 9/30, 10/7, 10/14, 10/21/21 CNS-3515808# LOS ANGELES SENTINEL

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT

County of LOS ANGELES
Articles of Incorporation

Organization Number: LEC/Al No C4780745 Registered owner(s): RBV Williams Enterprises, Inc., 712 E Fairview Blvd, Inglewood, CA 90302; State of Incorporation: CA

(\$1,000)). RBV Williams Enterprises,

Inc. Verlinda Williams S/ Secretary
This statement was filed

Affidavit of Identity form.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2021208416

FIIE NO. 2021/2084/16
The following person(s) is
(are) doing business as:
Vegan Coach Tenny, 406
Bethany Road, Burbank,
CA 91504 County of LOS ANGELES Registered owner(s):

Tenny Minassian, 406 Bethany Road, Burbank, CA 91504; State of Incorporation:

This business is conducted by an Individual
The registrant(s) started doing business on N/A.

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars

(\$1,000)).

S/ Tenny Minassian, Owner
This statement was filed
with the County Clerk of
Los Angeles County on
09/17/2021.

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except. as provided Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the Affidavit of Identity form.

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal State or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** 

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 2021201031
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
1. CW NOTARY LA, 2.
CWINGE'S MOBILE NOTARY SERVICE, 3. CW REALTY CONSULTING, 5828
CONDON AVENUE APT 2, LOS ANGELES, CA 90056
County of LOS ANGELES
Registered owner(s):

Registered owner(s): CIJI WINGE, 5828 CONDON AVENUE APT 2, LOS ANGELES, CA 90056; State of Incorporation: CA
This business is conducted by an Individual

The registrant(s) started doing business on N/A.
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the

is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000)). S/ CIJI WINGE, Owner This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/09/2021.

registrant knows to be false

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement

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Affidavit of Identity form.

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

Original Filing 9/30, 10/7, 10/14, 10/21/21 CNS-3515579# LOS ANGELES SENTINEL

NAME STATEMENT
File No. 2021205952
The following person(s) is
(are) doing business as:
1. Williams To Assist, 2. Follow
You Photo, 712 E. Fairview
Blvd., Inglewood, CA 90302 Organization Number: LLC/Al

This business is conducted by a Corporation
The registrant(s) started doing

business on 08/2021.
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars

with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/15/2021. NOTICE-In accordance with

Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal. State. or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

Original Filing 9/30, 10/7, 10/14, 10/21/21 CNS-3515305# LOS ANGELES SENTINEL

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2021207217

The No.: 20212077
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
Sungoddess Beauty Center
II, 13965 Van Ness Ave,
Gardena, CA 90249 County
of LOS ANGELES
Registered owner(s): Registered owner(s):

Patrice Simmons, 13905 wilkie ave, Gardena, CA 90249 This business is conducted by an Individual

The registrant(s) started doing business on 08/2021.
I declare that all information in this statement is true and orrect. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars

(\$1.000)S/ Patrice Simmons, Owner This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/16/2021.

NOTICE-In accordance with

Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the

Affidavit of Identity form.
The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal. State or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

Original Filing 9/30, 10/7, 10/14, 10/21/21 CNS-3515233# LOS ANGELES SENTINEL STATEMENT OF

ABANDONMENT
OF USE OF FICTITIOUS
BUSINESS NAME File No. 2021 208359 Current File No.: 2017021604 Date Filed: January 26, 2017 American Business Loans Factoring, Leasing, 210 East 77th St, Los Angeles, CA 90003

Registered Owner(s): Lindsay Samuel Johnson Jr, 210 East 77th St, Los Angeles, CA 90003 Business was conducted by: an Individual.

I declare that all information

in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)
S/ Lindsay S Johnson Jr, Owner

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on September 17, 2021. 9/30, 10/7, 10/14, 10/21/21 CNS-3514759# CNS-3514759# LOS ANGELES SENTINEL

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT NAME STATEMENT
File No. 2021183825
The following person(s) is
(are) doing business as:
1. NOTTI REALTY, 2. NOTTI
COLLECTION REALTY,
3580 WILSHIRE BLVD

SUITE 1798A, Los Angeles, CA 90010 County of LOS

**ANGELES** Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number: LLC/AI

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No 2390671 Registered owner(s):
NOTTI COLLECTION INCORPORATED, 3580 WILSHIRE BLVD SUITE 1798A, LOS ANGELES, CA 90010; State of Incorporation:

This business is conducted by a Corporation The registrant(s) started doing

business on N/A.
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars

(\$1,000)). INCORPORATED
S/ GRAYLAN JONES, CEO This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 08/18/2021

NOTICE-In accordance with NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the Affidavit of Identity form. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name

in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Original Filing 9/16, 9/23, 9/30, 10/7/21 CNS-3512041# LOS ANGELES SENTINEL

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT File No. 2021194220

File No. 2021194220
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

1. SANTA MONICA
SEAFOOD-CASE READY
SEAFOOD DIVISION, 2.
SMS-CRSD, 18531 S. SIVIS-CRSD, 18531 BROADWICK STE BROADWICK STREET, RANCHO DOMINGUEZ, CA 90220 County of LOS ANGELES ANGELES Registered owner(s): ETHOS SEAFOOD GROUP,

LLC, 18531 S. BROADWICK STREET, RANCHO DOMINGUEZ, CA 90220; State of Incorporation: DE This business is conducted by a limited liability company
The registrant(s) started doing
business on N/A.
I declare that all information

in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000)

(\$1,000)). ETHOS SEAFOOD GROUP, LLC S/ ROGER A. O'BRIEN,

statement was filed the County Clerk of Angeles County on Los 08/31/2021 NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement

must be accompanied by the Affidavit of Identity form. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

Original Filing 9/16, 9/23, 9/30, 10/7/21 CNS-3511992# LOS ANGELES SENTINEL

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2021192448 following person(s) is (are) doing business as HARBOR SAFE HARBOR CALIFORNIA, 20045 PRAIRIE ST, CHATSWORTH, CA 91311 County of LOS ANGELES
Mailing Address: PO BOX
1052, NORTHRIDGE, CA

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number: LLC/AI No 2358791 Registered owner(s):
MATADORS COMMUNITY
CREDIT UNION, 20045
PRAIRIE ST, CHATSWORTH,

CA 91311; State of Incorporation: CA
This business is conducted by a Corporation

The registrant(s) started doing business on 06/2021.
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000)).

MATADORS COMMUNITY

CREDIT UNION MELISSA BROADWELL, CEO statement was filed

the County Clerk of Angeles County on Los 08/27/2021.

08/27/2021.

NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk except as provided in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new

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Original Filing 9/16, 9/23, 9/30, 10/7/21
CNS-3511905#
LOS ANGELES SENTINEL

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No 2021197232 following person(s) is

(are) doing business as:
Pro Driver Logistics, 3500 S
Muirfield Road, Los Angeles,
CA 90016 County of LOS
ANGELES Registered owner(s):
Jamar E Edmonds, 3500 S
Muirfield Road, Los Angeles,

CA 90016 CA 90016
Grady Montgomery, 3500 S
Muirfield Road, Los Angeles,
CA 90016
This business is conducted by
a General Partnership

The registrant(s) started doing business on 06/2021.

I declare that all information

in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false. registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000)).

S/ Jamar E Edmonds,

General Partner
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/02/2021. NOTICE-In accordance with

Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk except as provided. Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the Affidavit of Identity form. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

Original Filing 9/16, 9/23, 9/30, 10/7/21 CNS-3511874# LOS ANGELES SENTINEL

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT
File No. 2021195236
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
1. under the faith production,
2. under the faith clothing,
3. under the faith films, 4. urban tactics sports, 5. urban tactics radio, 6. urban tactics

tactics radio, 6. urban tactics production, 7. urban tactics films, 5176 pickford street, Los Angeles, CA 90019 County of LOS ANGELES Registered owner(s): clyde gillett, 5176 pickford street, Los Angeles, CA 90019 This business is conducted by an Individual
The registrant(s) started doing

business on 08/2021.
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars

(\$1,000)). S/ clyde gillett, Owner This statement was with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 08/31/2021. NOTICE-In accordance with

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the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal. State or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Original Filing 9/23, 9/30, 10/7, 10/14/21 CNS-3511747#

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT File No. 2021194526

LOS ANGELES SENTINEL

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

1. WESTCHESTER VETERINARY CENTER VETERINARY CENTER AND CAT CLINIC, 2. KVETT MOBILE SERVICES, 8911 S. SEPULVEDA BLVD., Los Angeles, CA 90045 County of LOS ANGELES Mailing Address: 3500 WEST OLIVE AVE SUITE 300.

This business is conducted by a Limited Partnership
The registrant(s) started doing business on 06/2021. I declare that all information in this statement is true and

correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is quilty of a misdemeanor. is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars

BURBANK, CA 91505 Registered owner(s): COMPANION COMPANION PET PARTNERS, LLC, 3500 WEST OLIVE AVE SUITE 300, BURBANK, CA 91505 COMPANION PET PARTNERS US, LLC, 3500 WEST OLIVE AVE SUITE 300, BURBANK, CA 91505; State of Incorporation: DE State of Incorporation: DE

It is with great sadness

that the family of Helen Jean Henson announce her

passing on Sunday, August

8, 2021, in Lynwood, Cali-

(nee Edmond) was born on

January 29, 1930, in Dallas,

Texas, the only daughter of

Johnnie Mae Nichols (nee

Crayton); and was raised by

her mother and Andy Nich-

ols, whom she lovingly re-

Polytechnic High School,

and held various occupa-

as her Savior, was baptized

at 110th and Wilmington

Church of Christ in Los

Angeles, and was an active

member of the Eastside and

110th and Wilmington con-

Her life will be forever

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This procurement process will take place in two steps: (1) the instant Request for Qualifications step (i.e., a project specific prequalification) ("RFQ"); and (2) a subsequent builting

(2) a subsequent Invitation for Bid step ("IFB") (i.e., lowest competitive bid). Upon

receipt and evaluation of the

receipt and evaluation of the Statements of Qualifications ("SOQ's") submitted in response to this RFQ, the SOQ's will be scored, evaluated and the Pre-Qualified Contractors for the Project identified. Thereafter

Project identified. Thereafter, the District will publish and issue an Invitation for Bids

issue an invitation for Bids only to the Contractors who have pre-qualified. Only Pre-qualified Contractors are permitted to submit a bid (Public Contract Code section 20651.5). Award of the Construction Services Agreement will be made to

Agreement will be made to the lowest responsive and

responsible bidder. The award

of the Construction Services Agreement will be made pursuant to, without limitation,

the authority provided to the District under Public Contract

Code section 20651, and

All Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) must be received electronically via PlanetBids

October 14, 2021 before 02:00 PM Local Time.

The Applicant assumes full

and sole responsibility for timely receipt of its SOQ and any other documents required

to be submitted with the SOQ.

by the District. The District will have no responsibility for SOQ's not submitted in a

timely manner, no matter the

RFQ Documents, including instructions to Applicants, will

be available to Applicants

on and after September 24, 2021, at the Online Vendor

Portal. The Online Vendor

Portal. The Online Vendor Portal can be accessed by visiting the website www.build-laccd.org under "Contractors and Bidders" then clicking the PlanetBids link.

Non-Mandatory Pre SOQ Meeting will be held on September 29, 2021 at 10:00

All questions shall be directed

to the Online Vendor Portal.

CNS-3515409# LOS ANGELES SENTINEL

JOB ORDER

CONTRACTING OPPORTUNITY WITH

LACCD

A-General Engineering Contractors B-General Building

Contractors

C-10 Electrical Contractors C-20 HVAC Contractors

C-39 Roofing Contractors

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Los Angeles Community College District ("District") invites Licensed General and select Specialty Contractors to submit a Prequalification Questionnaire for the purpose

Questionnaire for the purpose of prequalifying, based on

public contracting experience.

to submit bids for a Job Order

A Job Order Contract is an

indefinite quantity contract pursuant to which the Contractor may perform an ongoing series of individual Projects at different locations

under the jurisdiction of the LACCD. The bid documents

include a Construction Task Catalog® containing construction tasks with preset Unit Prices. All Unit Prices

are based on local labor,

material and equipment prices and are for the direct cost of

A Mandatory Pre-SOQ Conference will be held at 10:00AM on October 13,

2021 via Zoom. The access link and additional details are available at the Online Vendor Portal (http://build-

construction.

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Helen Jean Henson

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#### **ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS**

All potential applicants are notified per the Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) Handbook 4350.3 Rev.-1. Change 4 and the Affirmative Fair Housing Marketing Plan that the following community is currently accepting applications for residency as of September 7, 2021.

> TELACU Rio Alto (202 PRAC) 545 Bloomington Ave., Rialto CA 92376 T 619.477.0711 ■ TTY 323.622.0006 ■ Email - rioalto@TELACU.com

To be eligible for the Section 202 PRAC project, the primary applicant must be 62 years of age or older, meet HUD established annual income level, and the project's Tenant Selection Plan (TSP) requirements. You may obtain a copy of the TSP by calling the number listed above. Complete applications are placed on the project waiting list by date and time received and assigned the next number on the waiting list. Selection of potential residents are in numerical order based on the waiting list number assigned.

Applicants must also meet HUD established annual income level, and the project's Tenant Selection Plan (TSP) requirements. You may obtain a copy of the TSP by calling the community. Complete applications are placed on the project waiting list by date and time received and assigned the next number on the waiting list. Selection of potential residents are in numerical order based on the waiting list number assigned.

we serve our priority. With that in mind, please be advised that the corporate office and all communities are closed to the public. Applications will not be available in person due to COVID-19 and will only be available by mail and on the website listed below.

TELACU Residential Management, Inc. considers the health and safety of our employees and the residents

An application may be requested by calling the facility listed above. You may also have an application mailed to you or you can download the application directly by going to TRM.TELACU.com.

For further information on TELACU owned and/or managed properties that are currently accepting applications for residency, please contact TELACU Residential Management, Inc. at 323.838.8556. 1248 Goodrich Blvd., Los Angeles CA 90022.





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(\$1,000)). S/ BRYAN OLSON, Vice President

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with the County Clerk of
Los Angeles County on
08/31/2021.

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LOS ANGELES SENTINEL

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. 2021 194525 Current File No.: 2019328336 Date Filed: December 24,

2019 Westchester Veterinary Center and Cat Clinic, Kvett Mobile Services, 8911 Sepulveda Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90045 Registered Owner(s):

Krieger Veterinary Services, Inc., 1712 Haynes Ln, Redondo Beach, CA 90278;

Business was conducted by: a Corporation.
I declare that all information

in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) S/ Andrew Krieger, Member Krieger Veterinary Services

Inc.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Mith the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on August 31, 2021. 9/16, 9/23, 9/30, 10/7/21 CNS-3511727# LOS ANGELES SENTINEL

#### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2021188322

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: ROLAND AND LISA WIRT FOUNDATION, 5301 7TH AVE, LOS ANGELES, CA 90043 County of LOS ANGELES

Registered owner(s): LISA WIRT, 5301 7TH AVE, LOS ANGELES, CA 90043 This business is conducted by an Individual The registrant(s) started doing

business on 07/2021.
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false quilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars

(\$1,000)). S/ LISA WIRT, Owner This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 08/24/2021. NOTICE-In accordance with

Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name 1/920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement

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CNS-3509723# LOS ANGELES SENTINEL

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2021189836 following person(s) is (are) doing business as: QUEERIFICATION, 125 N QUEERIFICATION, 125 N FAIRFAX AVE SUITE 46482, LOS ANGELES, CA 90046 County of LOS ANGELES Mailing Address: 7530 LEXINGTON AVE APT # 22, LOS ANGELES, CA 90046 Pagisteral expra(s)

LOS ANGELES, CA 90046 Registered owner(s): DEERAN ANDERSON, 7530 LEXINGTON AVE APT#22, LOS ANGELES, CA 90046; State of Incorporation: CA This business is conducted by an Individual The registrant(s) started doing business on N/A.

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000)). S/ DEERAN ANDERSON,

Owner statement was filed the County Clerk of Angeles County on

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Affidavit of Identity form.

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Original Filing 9/9, 9/16, 9/23, 9/30/21 CNS-3509531# LOS ANGELES SENTINEL

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT File No. 2021 193812

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

1. A.C.E. Apparel Group, 2. ACE Ivy, 3. THYNC, 3942 Edgehill Dr., Los Angeles, CA 90008, County of Los Angeles

Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number: AI #ON: 201935610320 Registered owner(s):

A.C.E. Apparel Group Limited Liability Company, 3942 Edgehill Dr., Los Angeles, CA 90008· CA

This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company
The registrant commenced
to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 12/2019

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is quilib of a misdemeanor. is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000)). S/ Cynthia ThomasMcCollum,

Managing Member
A.C.E. Apparel Group Limited
Liability Company
This statement was filed
with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on August 30, 2021 NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the

Affidavit of Identity form.

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize

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the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). Amended Filing 9/16, 9/23, 9/30, 10/7/21 CNS-3509323#

LOS ANGELES SENTINEL **FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** 

NAME STATEMENT
File No. 2021 193502
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
Weeday, 616 South Gladys
Ave Unit A, San Gabriel, CA

91776, County of Los Angeles Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number: AI #ON: 202122310739 Registered owner(s): SA Investment Group LLC,

Gladys Ave Unit A, San Gabriel, CA 91776; California This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 08/2021

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars

(\$1,000)). S/ Trang Mai, CEO SA Investment Group LLC This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on August 30, 2021 NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County erk, except, as provided Subdivision (b) of Section Clerk in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement

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Original 9/9, 9/16, 9/23, 9/30/21 CNS-3509322# LOS ANGELES SENTINEL

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2021187683 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

1. UFIT UNIVERSITY OF FITNESS INFORMATION AND TECHNOLOGY, AND TECHNOLOGY, 2. ANDA'S WELLNESS LIVESCAN, 1976 S LA CIENAGA BLVD C-769, LOS ANGELES, CA 90034 County of LOS ANGELES

Mailing Address: SOMERSET BLVD Paramount, CA 90723 Registered owner(s) ANDA'S WELLNESS LLC, 1976 S LA CIENAGA BLVD

C-769, LOS ANGELES, CA 90034; State of Incorporation: This business is conducted by a limited liability company
The registrant(s) started doing
business on N/A.

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000)). ANDA'S WELLNESS LLC

S/ ANDA LEONARD, President This statement was filed

with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 08/23/2021. NOTICE-In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section

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a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the must be accompanied by the Affidavit of Identity form.

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CNS-3508773# LOS ANGELES SENTINEL

#### **GOVERNMENT**

LOS ANGELES COUNTY
METROPOLITAN
TRANSPORTATION
AUTHORITY (LACMTA)
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

LACMTA will receive proposals for PS80741 - Federal Advocacy Professional Services electronically at bids@metro.net.

This project is a Small Business Enterprise (\$BE) Set-Aside contract. To participate in this RFP, proposers must be SBE certified with LACMTA prior to proposal due date. information on the Aside Program, visit: Set-Aside Program, visit: https://business.metro.net/ VendorPortal/faces/home1/ certifications

All proposals must be received All proposals must be received on or before 2:00 p.m. Pacific Time on Thursday, October 21, 2021 at the bids@metro.

net, sent to the attention of Victor Zepeda.Proposals received later than the above date and time will be rejected and returned to the proposer unopened.

For a copy of the Proposal/ Bid specification visit our Solicitation Page on our Vendor Portal at https:// business.metro.net or for further information email further information email Victor Zepeda at zepedav@ metro.net.

CNS-3515816# LOS ANGELES SENTINEL

Bidding Opportunity with LACCD

future bidding opportunities please visit the Online Vendor Portal which can be accessed by visiting the website www. build-laccd.org under "Contractors and Bidders" then clicking the PlanetBids

NOTICE IS HEREBY NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Los Angeles Community College District ("District") invites B Licensed General Contractors to submit Statements of Qualification (SOQ) for the following procurement:

Request for Qualifications (RFQ) from Contractors for Los Angeles Pierce College, SLE-SOM Classroom SLE-SOM Classroom Modernization & ADA Improvements.

This project will include demolition of existing Building 1800, a two-story approximately 47,082 GSF building, located at the center of campus, in preparation for the construction of the new the construction of the new Academic West building Surrounding site work will also be partially demolished. In order to support existing earth grades and site amenities, a series of structural retaining walls will remain in place to stabilize the hillside and keep existing planters in place. A number of existing trees will also be protected in place and maintained through the length of demolition project. Scope of work also includes clearing all utilities from the project site, utilities from the project re-routing and reconnecting many of the utilities away from the site to maintain current utility services.

Project scope also includes mechanical upgrades, replacing existing coils inside existing air handling units with new coils and patch and repair any finishes damaged during this upgrade in existing Great Hall Building 1900.

her sons, Gregory Crayton Lawrence and Freddie James Henson, Jr; her daughter, Brenda Faye Peterson Henson; her cousin, John (Butch) Crayton, her granddaughters, grandsons, great-greatgranddaughter, her daughter-in-law, and a host of

Celebration of Life

Helen Jean Henson

friends.

Helen was preceded in death by her husband, Freddie James Henson; her mother and daddy, Johnnie Mae and Andy Nichols; her son, Robert Anthony Lawrence; her grandsons, Gary William Lawrence and Tyrone Anthony McCoy, and Freddie James Henson III.

### nieces, nephews, and good

laccd.org/ scroll down to "Register with Planet Bids" Procurement Process for this Project will

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person or entity wishing to be considered for prequalification ("Applicant") must attend the Mandatory conference a completed Pre-SOQ and subn and submit a completed Prequalification Questionnaire and other required information in accordance with the instructions set forth in the Questionnaire and in the RFQ document. Applicants must register on the Online Vendor Portal to download the pregualification. download the prequalification documents, submit Requests for Clarifications and receive subsequent addenda.

SOQ Due Date and Request for Qualification Documents, including instructions to Applicants, will be available to Applicants at the **Online Vendor Portal.** 

CNS-3515027# LOS ANGELES SENTINEL

Pre-Qualification Opportunity with LACCD

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Los Angeles Community College District ("District") invites Architectural and Engineering Firms to submit Statements of Qualification (SOQ) for the following:

Request for Qualifications

(RFQ) for District Wide, Architectural and Engineering Services Multiple Award Task Order Contract (MATOC).
This procurement process

will take place in two steps: the instant Request for Qualifications step ("RFQ") (i.e. pre-qualification): and (i.e., pre-qualification); and a subsequent Request for Task Order Proposal step ("RFTOP"). Upon receipt and evaluation of the Statements of Qualifications ("SOQ's") submitted in response to this RFQ, the SOQ's will be scored and evaluated using the District's Uniform System of Rating, and the Qualified Applicants will be identified. A qualified firm will enter into Multiple Award Task Order Contract. Thereafter, the District will publish and issue a Request for Proposal only to the Firms who have prequalified. Only Pre-Qualified Firms will be permitted to submit a proposal.

All Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) must be uploaded to the LACCD Planetbids vendor portal by: October 19th, 2021 before 2:00 PM.

The Applicant assumes full and sole responsibility for timely receipt of its SOQ and any other documents required to be submitted with the SOQ by the District. The District have no responsibility for SOQ's not submitted in a timely manner, no matter the reason.

RFQ Documents, including instructions to Applicants, will be available to Applicants No Later Than September 23rd, 2021 at the:

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#### **PROBATE**

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: LUADA RHODES CASE NO. 21STPB08943

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of LUADA RHODES. A PETITION FOR PROBATE

has been filed by DARLENE SWAIN in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. PETITION THE FOR

PROBATE requests that DARLENE SWAIN appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. THE PETITION requests the decedent's WILL and codicils if any, be admitted to probate. The WILL and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the

estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 10/25/21 at 8:30AM in Dept. 4, RM 217 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR

or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect vour rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file

kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

In Pro Per Petitioner DARLENE SWAIN 57 ROLLING RIDGE DRIVE POMONA CA 91766 9/23, 9/30, 10/7/21 CNS-3513073# LOS ANGELES SENTINEL

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

# Tyronn Lue Aims to Persevere Through Injuries in Upcoming Season

By Amanda Scurlock Sports Writer

Tyronn Lue is going into his second season as the head coach of the Clippers, but the team will not be going into the season with a fully healthy roster. With star forward Kawhi Leonard rehabbing from knee surgery and forward Serge Ibaka recovering from a back injury, Lue might have to rely on going small until they return.

"Playing small last year, we did get some experience and the guys know how to play that way ... but it's not something we want to do all the time," Lue said. "I think the guys understand how we want to play small, but we got to do it a little bit better with [Leonard] being out because now, the guys got to step up and do different things.'

On Tuesday, Lue revealed his projected starting lineup: guards Reggie Jackson and Eric Bledsoe, forwards Paul George and Marcus Morris Sr., and center Ivica Zubac.

"That's how we're

gonna start the season," Lue said. "We're gonna

paint and push the ball.

"I think he's gonna be

Conference Finals for the is possible and our guys

pers reached the Western better," he said. "Anything

which includes Brian Shaw joining the franchise lineups a big boost for us of being first time in franchise his- have shone that last year. as an assistant coach. Lue and Shaw were teammates on the Los Angeles Lakers

> George, stimming from his years playing for the Indiana Pacers. "He taught me the do's and don'ts of the NBA and I've always leaned on him ever since, we've always been good friends, he's been like a mentor to me," Lue said. "Bringing in [Shaw], I think it would be

> from 1999-2001, winning two NBA championships

> together. Shaw also has a strong relationship with

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good for us." The core of the Clippers has not changed; the players that recently signed with the Clippers have been training in their facilities for almost two months prior to training camp to get acclimated to the franchise.

"My biggest thing I tell these guys is just play your game, do what got you here, what got you to this point and if you do it too much, we'll let you know," Lue said. "I want guys to play free, play without walking on eggshells and just play their game."



Clippers head coach Tyronn Lue led the franchise to the Western Conference Finals during the 2020-2021 season.

practices, but that's my vision right now."

He noted how he wants Bledsoe to play the small forward position, he has the strength to attack the

throughout the course of able to push that pace and push that tempo," Lue said. "We want him to play free, attack, be aggressive, taking his shots, getting guys involved."

Last season, the Clip-

tory. Despite their success, Lue noted how their expectations has changed.

"We understand that we got to keep building, continue to keep getting We won games five and six against Utah, they was the best team in the NBA at that point in time."

Despite their expectations going unchanged, the coaching staff took a shift

Crenshaw Falls to Franklin in Home Opener

By Amanda Scurlock Sports Writer

Despite presenting a strong rushing game, the Crenshaw Cougars lost to the Franklin Panthers 46-35. This was the home opener for the Cougars.

Franklin improved to 4-1 overall, tying them at second place with Eagle Rock in the Northern League. Crenshaw now has a 1-2 overall record, putting them in fourth place in the Coliseum League.

Franklin jumped to a 27-7 lead in the end of the first quarter. Junior Hector Ceballos executed three scores in the phase, one of them being a pick-six. The skills he learned playing basketball helped him excel in football.

"The euro steps, just working on foot work all that stuff," Ceballos said. Crenshaw on the scoreboard with a 32-yard scramble. For the second quarter, He was moved to wide receiver and sophomore Donce Lewis took the reins as signal caller for the Cougars. Although he his a young varsity player, he has a strong knowledge of the Crenshaw football pro-

"I've been with Crenshaw my whole life basically, from the Pap Warner team," Lewis said. "I used to always be at all the games on Fridays, everything's really not new to me."

The second quarter also highlighted the rushing game of junior Marlon Wilson. He was able to tear through a tough Franklin defensive line with his authoritative runs to score for the Cougars.

"That's what we worked on in practice, the



Crenshaw sophomore, Donce Lewis (10) at the line of scrimmage.

Junior Greg Jones exe-

cuted an interception for a touchdown, bringing the Cougars within seven

mates allowed him to perform well. "I really can't say it was all me, my linemen did most of the work. Without the linemen you don't have the running back or a run-

> Lewis responded with a touchdown pass to junior Andrew Wynn. At the half, the Panthers remained a head 34-27 against the

> ning game," he said. "I'm

kept the panthers in the

lead with a rushing touch-

down. Munoz mentioned

how the effort of his team-

Cougars. Munoz was key in advancing the ball during

the third quarter. A turnover on downs put Crenshaw on their 1-yard line and the Franklin defense secured a safety. Ceballos added on to the panther defense by

in the second half.

With a pass to senior Aaron Gonzalez, Franklin edged up their score to 43 cementing the score at 35-

On October 1, Franklin will travel to battle Mar-



Crenshaw senior, Zion Bennett (15)

"I'm fast, I'm quick ... the run," Wilson said. "We footwork and all that is from basketball."

Senior Zion Bennett put

practiced and we played hard, that's all that matpoints of the Panthers.

Franklin also had a strong running game in junior Diego Munoz, who

just proud of my linemen, they really put on a show."

making two interceptions



Franklin junior, Hector Ceballos (2)

points. In the last play of the game, Wilson rushed a 70-yard touchdown,

shall at 3:00P.M. and Crenshaw will host Hawkins at

# Lakers Say They're Building a Vintage Championship Contender

BY GREG BEACHAM Associated Press

LeBron James has heard the basketball world talking about how the Los Angeles Lakers are too old, and he is laughing — both literally and figuratively.

their incredible talent.

put the time in, we put the



Los Angeles Lakers guard Russell Westbrook, left, takes a photo with Talen Horton-Tucker (5) during the NBA basketball team's Media Day Tuesday, Sept. 28, 2021, in El Segundo, Calif.

"Some of the memes and some of the jokes have been extremely funny,' James said with a grin Tues-

At 36 years old, James is on a roster of his peers as he enters his 19th NBA season. Nine of the Lakers' 14 current players are 32 or older, including including eight of their 11 new additions and Anthony Davis is a high-mileage 28. Depending on any late moves, the Lakers' average age is likely to be nearly 31, which would be two years older than any other NBA roster.

But instead of fixating on his new teammates' 1980s birthdates, James thinks people should be focusing on the skill, experience and athleticism represented by all those numbers. Russell Westbrook, Carmelo Anthony and a supporting cast of accomplished NBA veterans are teaming up with James and Davis, and they are confident they can prove age is not yet a hindrance to

"We come out and we work in," James said. "We



Los Angeles Lakers forward LeBron James fields questions during the NBA basketball team's Media Day Tuesday,

exactly three weeks before

their regular-season opener

against Golden State at Sta-

Sept. 28, 2021, in El Segundo, Calif. realize these players have outlasted dozens of younger players in the NBA for some very good reasons.

"It's never bulletin-

the same raised eyebrows.

The Lakers all seem to won-

der why the skeptics don't



Los Angeles Lakers forward LeBron James, right, high-fives teammate Trevor Ariza during the NBA basketball team's Media Day Tuesday, Sept. 28, 2021, in El Segundo, Calif.

make our own narrative. One thing that we know (is) who we are. We've got a bunch of guys that have been in this league quite a while that understand and know what it takes to win. The business that we're in is winning, and doing it all the

The rest of James' new teammates react to the questions around their ages with board material, because it's somebody else's narrative," said Anthony, James' fellow member of the draft class of 2003. "We don't get moments like this often where you have a group of guys with this stature on one team who all like each other. That's hard to find."

The Lakers got together Tuesday at their training complex for media day blockbuster trade with Washington after averaging a triple-double vet again last season. The third-leading scorer in NBA history cited his years of experience in playing alongside gifted teammates ranging from Dwyane Wade and Chris Bosh to Kyrie Irving and Kevin Love.

about finding a rhythm with

Westbrook, the ball-domi-

nating Los Angeles native

landed by the Lakers in a

"I'm very cerebral about what I need to do in order for our team to be as great as we can be, and also



Los Angeles Lakers' DeAndre Jordan poses for photos during the NBA basketball team's Media Day Tuesday, Sept. 28, 2021, in El Segundo, Calif.

ples Center.

With just three players returning from last season's team, the Lakers realize they have work to do, and they've already begun their bonding with a recent weekend trip to Las Vegas. They hope to find a groove swiftly with a roster also including newcomers DeAndre Jordan, Rajon Rondo, Kent Bazemore, Trevor Ariza and three-time Lakers center Dwight Howard — along with youngsters Malik Monk and Kendrick Nunn.

James isn't worried

brings to the table," James said. "I always figure it out. I don't think it's going to be like peanut butter and jelly to start the season, but that's all part of the process and all part of my work. I like to actually put in the work to get to how great it can be."

The Lakers have also taken a major step toward togetherness and health by getting their roster fully vaccinated against COVID-19. Even Bazemore, an outspoken vaccine skeptic last season in Golden State, has received his first dose and is eager to get his second.

Bazemore said he decided to get the vaccine after a conversation about life and philosophy with Lakers general manager Rob Pelinka.

"One thing you don't want to have is regret," Bazemore said. "And if I go to another team or miss this season because I didn't do it and I've got to watch these guys party with the Larry O'Brien Trophy because I didn't do it, I'd be pretty

James also confirmed he has been vaccinated, putting to rest the rumors around his previous reluctance to disclose his status. He acknowledged initial "skepticism" about the vaccine, but decided it was the right decision to stay healthy for his teammates and family.

Health undid the Lakers' title defense last season: Davis, James and several complementary players were limited or unable to play throughout Los Angeles' first-round loss to Phoenix.

Davis' absences have been the most crushing for the Lakers over the past two years, and the big man is eager to be more durable. As one of the Lakers' youngsters heading into only his ninth NBA season, he sees it as a responsibility.

"I didn't feel comfortable missing that many games," Davis said. "Not being able to play at full strength in the playoffs against Phoenix ... that didn't sit well with me. I made an emphasis on taking care of my body, getting my body back to what it was strength-wise my first year

### NBA Releases Protocols to Teams for Virus Safety This Season

BY TIM REYNOLDS Associated Press

The NBA released tentative health and safety protocols to its teams Tuesday, detailing how unvaccinated players will be tested far more often than their vaccinated colleagues and face a slew of other restric-

Among the rules for unvaccinated players: They will not be able to eat in the same room with vaccinated teammates or staff, must have lockers as far away from vaccinated players as possible, and must stay masked and at least six feet away from all other attendees in any team meeting.

the like.

players will be "required to remain at their residence when in their home market," teams were told in the draft of the rules, a copy of which was obtained by The Associated Press. They will also need to stay on team hotel properties when on the road. In both cases, there are limited permissible exceptions — such as going to buy groceries, taking children to school and

> And unvaccinated players also will not be permitted to visit "higher-risk settings," the NBA said, such as restaurants, bars, clubs, entertainment venues, and large indoor gatherings.

> The league is working with the National Basketball Players Association to finalize the protocols, but some details were agreed upon weeks ago - including provisions where unvaccinated players will be tested on all practice, travel, team activity and game days. Fully vaccinated players will not be subject to testing, with very limited exceptions.

> Fully vaccinated players - the category that at least 90% of the league falls into — will largely be back to business as usual. Unvaccinated players will be given rapid tests on days where teams are practicing, traveling, or having similar team events, plus will need labbased tests on game days.

> "A vaccine mandate for NBA players would need an agreement with the Players Association," NBA spokesman Mike Bass said Tuesday. "The NBA has made these proposals but

the players' union has rejected any vaccination requirement."

Later, the NBPA responded by celebrating the 90% vaccination rate and how it exceeds the national percentage. "The real story is not why vaccination isn't mandated in the NBA. The real story for proponents of vaccination is how can we emulate the Players in the NBA," union executive director Michele Roberts said.

LeBron James of the Los Angeles Lakers says he doesn't want to tell people what to do regarding vaccinations. But James — who has more than 50 million Twitter followers and nearly 100 million on Instagram — did reveal Tuesday that he is vaccinated. And like many other big NBA names such as Portland's Damian Lillard, Lakers teammate Anthony Davis and Milwaukee's Giannis Antetokounmpo, James said he got the shots to keep his family safe.

"I think everyone has their own choice to do what they feel is right for themselves and their family and things of that nature," James said. "I know that I was very (skeptical) about it all. But after doing my research and things of that nature, I felt like it was best suited for not only me but for my family and my friends. And, you know, that's why I

decided to do it." Some top NBA players, including Washington's Bradley Beal and Golden State's Andrew Wiggins, have said they remain unvaccinated. Phoenix star



Players like Kyrie Irving, who has refused to say if he will be vaccinated against COVID-19, will be subject to testing on all NBA practice, travel and game days this season. Fully vaccinated players will not.

Devin Booker missed the start of camp because he tested positive, revealing that over the weekend but not saying if he is vaccinated. Others, like Brooklyn's Kyrie Irving — an NBPA vice president — have also refused to divulge their vaccination status, though Irving not attending Nets media day in person on Monday clearly suggests that he remains unvaccinated.

Irving did practice with the Nets on Tuesday in San Diego, where they're holding training camp.

The status of Wiggins and Irving is particularly thorny since local ordinances in San Francisco and New York would require them to be vaccinated or get a league exception — Wiggins has already tried that and failed — in order to play in home games, which obviously make up half the schedule. Irving is due to make about \$35 million this season, Wiggins nearly \$32 mil-

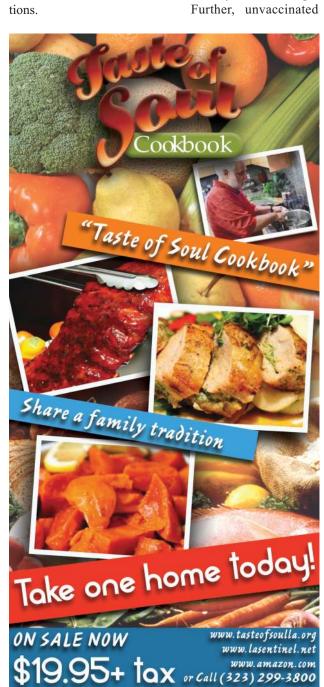
The difference between vaccinated and unvaccinated players will also govern the rules surrounding what happens when contact tracing flags a player as being possibly exposed to a person who is positive for COVID-19, the NBA told teams.

Those who are fully vaccinated will not be required in most cases to quarantine, though will need seven days of testing. Unvaccinated players flagged by contact tracing will need to quarantine for seven days.

The NBA and the players are still working on some final topics, all with hopes that this season unlike last year — doesn't see waves of game postponements or players missing extended periods of time because of the virus. Remaining topics include what would trigger needs for fully vaccinated players to be tested.

Some rules from last season will still apply, at least to begin this season. All players and staff, regardless of vaccination status, must wear masks in almost all situations inside team facilities, during travel and when on the bench during games. The bench rule will not apply to head coaches, who are not required to mask during games.

Also, it was previously agreed that anyone in proximity to players - statcrew staffs, team attendants, even NBA referees — must be vaccinated.



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# Fallen R&B Superstar R. Kelly Found Guilty of Sex Crimes

By Lapacazo Sandoval Contributing Writer

"They got him, another n\*gger with money is going down." I heard a young brother of color sharing the news on his phone. Apparently, the person on the other end asked, "who" which prompted him to answer in a way our folks really understand. "R. Kelly, that fool — (singing) 'I Believe I Can Fly,' — can't fly out of this s\*\*\*."

A jury of seven men and five women in a federal court in Brooklyn, New York, found Robert Sylvester Kelly, 54, guilty of all nine counts, including racketeering. Racketeering is described as a genre of organized crime in which the perpetrators set up a coercive, fraudulent, extortionary, or otherwise illegal coordinated scheme or operation (a racket) to repeatedly or consistently collect money or other profit.

What can I say? Unless you've been hiding under a lot of rocks, you know that R. Kelly enjoyed sex with underage girls and boys. And this unnatural desire to deflower children caught him good. He was found guilty on all counts in his sex-trafficking trial on last Monday, and for the most part, no one was shocked at the verdict because he has a very long history

of sexual abuse and exploitation of young women and minors that spans several decades.

For decades ... maybe that's the most shocking part, he appeared to get away with it – for decades.



In this Sept. 17, 2019, file photo, R. Kelly appears during a hearing at the Leighton Criminal Courthouse in Chicago. ANTONIO PEREZ/CHICAGO TRIBUNE VIA AP, POOL, FILE

So, why exactly did these victims stay with him? They were not physically tethered. Kelly's attorney, Deveraux Cannick, painted the motivation in broad, economic strokes, alleging that his accusers loved the shopping sprees, free air travel, and the expensive dinners. In short, being wine and dined trumped feeling like a sexual object.

Prosecutors carefully presented Kelly as a control freak and a pampered man-child. His accusers said they were instructed to call him "Daddy," and had to jump and kiss him whenever he walked into a room.

Prosecutors alleged that his entourage of well-paid managers and aides helped Kelly meet girls — and also worked diligently to keep them quiet and obedient — all this amounted to a

criminal enterprise, i.e. the racketeering charge.

At the time of filing, two people have been charged with Kelly in a separate federal case pending in Chicago.

Kelly's future is dim. He's facing the possibility of decades in prison for crimes, including violating the Mann Act, an anti-sex trafficking law that prohibits taking anyone across state lines "for any immoral purpose." That sentencing is scheduled for May 4.

Kelly is a predator but what does a sexual predator look like, exactly? How can a person identify modern human trafficking?

Several accusers provided the court with disturbing details alleging that Kelly subjected them to sadistic and perverse whims when they were underage.

Remember the disturbing sex tapes of Kelly having sex and urinating on a 14-year-old girl? The video is 42 minutes and 45 seconds and allegedly shows him asking the 14-year-old girl to urinate before he urinates on her. In this tape, she reportedly calls him "daddy" and he refers to her as "14-year-old p\*\*\*y."

Kelly had been tried once before, in Chicago in a child pornography case, but was acquitted in 2008.

Ponder. Maybe now, we are beginning to formulate what a predator looks like and what is the most disturbing — to me — is that our community laughed about it because comics crafted jokes around it. This went on for years in the public arena and in the news. In fact (and this is shameful), media seemed to be more amused than horrified. Then, the rumors start-



R. Kelly, center, sits with his defense attorneys, Thomas Farinella, top, and Nicole Blank Becker during the first day of his defense in his sex trafficking case, Monday, Sept. 20, 2021, in New York. AP PHOTO/ELIZABETH WILLIAMS

ed to bubble about Kelly's illegal marriage to the late R&B phenom, Aaliyah (Aaliyah Dana Haughton), in 1994, when she was just 15; he was 27. Think about this deeply for a moment. She was 15 and now ask yourself, how many years did he "know her" before he "married her?" One of the final witnesses described watching him sexually abusing her in 1993, when Aaliyah was only 13 or 14.

But money shuts a lot of mouths and his concert tickets and records are churning cash and other artists continued to record his songs, even after he was arrested (2002) and accused of making that infamous aforementioned video recording.

Think. Tap your finger to your forehead. Kelly's wild, illegal behavior went on for decades but there was a shift in the wind, so to speak, and #MeToo helped, but the widespread public condemnation arrived after the deeply troubling docuseries, "Surviving R. Kelly," (it's ok, shiver — I am) which helped make his case, another marker of the #MeToo era.

Kelly's fate is still being shaped. The New York case is only part of the legal challenges now facing

ed to bubble about Kelly's this middle-aged man. He illegal marriage to the late R&B phenom, Aaliyah (Aaliyah Dana Haughton), in 1994, when she was just 15; he was 27. Think about this middle-aged man. He also has pleaded not guilty to sex-related charges in Illinois and Minnesota. Trial dates in those cases have yet to be set.

And now R. Kelly—Robert Sylvester Kelly—54—who has been jailed without bail since 2019 is sitting inside a cell, found guilty of all nine counts, including racketeering. What thoughts could be gripping his soul when the lights are out and he's alone with his memories?

Congressman Danny Davis from Illinois told TMZ that Kelly has an opportunity for redemption upon hearing this support, "I wonder if Kelly is reminded of Matthew 19:24 which states, that's 'It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God."

Here's the cold reality, Robert Sylvester Kelly will head to Chicago to face more federal charges relating to sexual abuse. His sentencing in the New York trial is set for May, and he could face life in prison.

The young man reporting the news on the phone got it right. ["I Believe I Can Fly"] Kelly "can't fly out of this s\*\*\*."

# "I can't believe this sh\*t! I f\*\*ing won a Tony!" — David Alan Grier

By Lapacazo Sandoval Contributing Writer

The 74th Tony Awards took place in New York City, last week, honoring the best achievements of the 2019-2020 Broadway season. The ceremony was originally scheduled for June 7, 2020, but was delayed due to the COVID-19 pandemic, which shut Broadway down for a year and a half.

Just 18 productions were eligible for the 2020 Tony Awards due to the shorter season, which is roughly half the number that would be contending in a normal year.

The show employed a unique format, beginning with an award ceremony hosted by singer and actress Audra McDonald which aired/streaming on Paramount+ which was followed by a live concert event "The Tony Awards Present: Broadway's Back!" hosted by Leslie Odom Jr., that aired on CBS and Paramount+.

The final three awards, Best Play, Best Revival of a Play, and Best Musical, were presented during the primetime special.

Almost 40 years af-

ter earning his first Tony Awards nomination for portraying Jackie Robinson in the musical "The First," David Alan Grier finally took home his first trophy for his turn, on Broadway, in Charles Fuller's Pulitzer Prize-winning drama "A Soldier's Play."

"Moulin Rouge! The Musical" was the big winner at the 74th Tony Awards, with ten wins from its 14 nominations. "Jagged Little Pill" earned two Tonys, including one for Diablo Cody for best book of a musical.

In the play categories, "A Christmas Carol" earned five wins (mostly in craft categories) while Matthew Lopez's "The Inheritance" won for best play, actors, Lois Smith, and Andrew Burnap as well as for director Stephen Daldry.

On the "Broadway's Back" special, performances from "Tina — The Tina Turner Musical," "Jagged Little Pill" and "Moulin Rouge! The Musical" were among the productions that graced the stage.

Adrienne Warren won her first Tony Award for her knock-out performance, as Tina, in "Tina: The Tina Turner Musical," and has thanked the musical legend over and over again.

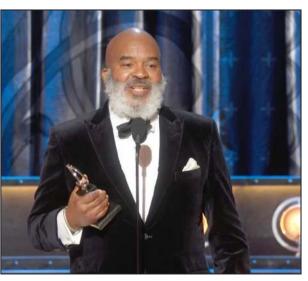
Her journey as Tina began at London's West End theater. In 2019,

the musical bowed on Broadway (this year's Tony Awards honored the shows of the 2019-2020 Broadway season after a post-ponement due to the COV-ID-19 pandemic.) Adrienne won over fellow nominees Karen Olivo from "Moulin Rouge! The Musical" and Jagged Little Pill's Elizabeth Stanley.

In her moving acceptance speech, Adrienne thanked her family members and, naturally, music legend Tina Turner herself "for trusting me to bring her story home." She also showed love to fellow crew and cast members:

"Each one of you are a star within your own right. Thank you for holding me in light and in prayer, and I wish you were in this room. And I really look forward to the day that the bodies and souls and spirits of those that are involved in these shows that we are celebrating can be invited and join the celebration with us."

The veteran screen and stage actor David Alan Grier, fought back tears, during



David Alan Grier arrives at the 74th annual Tony Awards at Winter Garden Theatre on Sunday, Sept. 26, 2021, in New York. SCREENSHOT/TONY AWARDS

his acceptance speech. He won his first Tony Award for Best Performance by a Featured Actor in a Play Sunday night for his turn as Tech Sergeant Vernon C. Waters in A Soldier's Play.

Afterward, Grier tweeted a picture of himself holding the award, writing, "I can't believe this sh\*t! I f\*\*ing won a Tony!"

Charles Fuller's drama won a Pulitzer Prize in 1982 before being adapted into an award-winning 1984 film, "A Soldier's Story" — in which Grier played a smaller role, as Corporal Cobb, alongside a cast that included Howard E. Rollins Jr., Adolph Ceasar, and Denzel Washington.

The impacting murder of Grier's character, Sergeant Waters, kicks off an investigation that dives deep into race and tension creating drama-filled, edge-of-your-seat suspense. "A Soldier's Story" also stars Blair Underwood, who was also nominated for a Tony.

In his emotional acceptance speech, Grier thanked Douglas Turner-Ward, the acclaimed playwright, actor, director, and theatrical producer, who came to see the show before its Broad-

way run and before his passing earlier this year.

"This man's passion, his commitment, every word he uttered," Grier said of Turner-Ward, "was teaching and science of theater."

He also showed gratitude to the Roundabout Theater, which was the play's home, as well as its dynamic director, Kenny Leon. "I don't know if I was the first call or the last call (for casting in the role), but I'm just glad you called baby!" he exclaimed.

The gifted, Yale-trained Grier also shouted to fellow thespian, Audra McDonald, a six-time Tony Award winner and one of the show's hosts, exclaiming, "I finally got one."

Grier is a deeply respected actor and comedian who may be best known for his time on the legendary early-'90s sketch comedy show, "In Living Color," and has been featured in dozens of films and more than 50 television shows.

Click here for the complete list of winners

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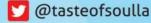








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