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RE: FPC Commissioner recommendation for LaNelle Ramey

To whom it may concern,

It has come to my attention that LaNelle Ramey is in consideration for the role of Commissioner with the city of Milwaukee's Fire and Police Commission (FPC). Please accept this letter as the highest support for his candidacy. I can easily ascertain that LaNelle's capabilities are of the highest quality based on my work and superving scores of professionals locally and nationally, and across all sectors — private, public, and non-profit. LaNelle's candidacy exemplifies the type of thoughtful individual that will serve our community at the highest level. He will provide a singular focus towards results based on organization's mission and how it impacts all stakeholders for collective impact.

On numerous occasions, I have witnessed how LaNelle consistently combines his impressive skill set with an unyielding commitment to fulfilling the organization's mission. LaNelle has the ability to take a vision and create systems built with operational excellence, while ensuring that the focus remains squarely on the constituency being served.

LaNelle's portfolio of work is impressive, having dealt with the complex and massive – working within organizations like Boys & Girls Clubs or Milwaukee Public Schools, to scaling and influencing others with the work of Mentor Greater Milwaukee – he has easily navigated competing priorities and multiple constituencies. He has also demonstrated the dexterity to build and manage diverse teams towards high performance regardless of management clarity or ambiguity.

Given the numerous hats he has worn professionally and the differing audiences he engages, it comes as no surprise that LaNelle can seamlessly navigate and work with a myriad of stakeholders - from negotiating with C-suite executives, creating multi-layered community collaborations, or delivering authentic yet tough messages to parents and community members, he is the embodiment of a compassionate and consummate professional.

Lastly, LaNelle has constantly exhibited an ability focus and channel the work towards equity and inclusion while seamlessly integrating organizational opportunities and unique partnerships for immediate impact and mutual benefit. His commitment to organizational growth with fidelity, and organizational achievement for long-term success will be an asset to any mission-based organization. There is no doubt that the city's FPC Commission will soar to new heights with his leadership.

Should you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone at or by email at

Sincerely,

Wendell Willis
Executive Director

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