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CAGC Partners with the State of Wisconsin

MEQUON, Wis. – The Closing the Achievement Gap Consortium has recently formed a partnership with the State of Wisconsin Department of Children and Families (hereinafter known as DCF). The Closing the Achievement Gap Consortium (hereinafter known as CAGC) and DCF share a common purpose of seeking to enrich the lives of youth in Southeastern Wisconsin through ensuring they are safe and actively engaged in their community. To that end, this summer, DCF and CAGC will work together to provide programming to over 160 African American males through the 3rd annual African American Male Initiative Summer Institute (hereinafter known as AAMI SI).

Under the guidance and leadership of DCF Secretary Eloise Anderson and Mr. Dshal Young, the State of Wisconsin has enthusiastically embraced the opportunity to partner with CAGC and AAMI SI. In July 2017, the State of Wisconsin will sponsor a day of guest speakers, activities and enrichment for participants of AAMI at the Journey House of Milwaukee.

"The partnership with the State of Wisconsin and the Closing the Achievement Gap Consortium fulfills a vision that we had for our participants when the AAMI SI was started in 2015," said Dr. Elliott L. Moeser, Executive Director of the Closing the Achievement Gap Consortium. "The member school systems of the Closing the Achievement Gap Consortium are appreciative of the efforts of Secretary Anderson, Mr. Dshal Young and other state agency leaders in ensuring that our young men have access to their state government. We firmly believe that if the participants of AAMI SI are authentically engaged in working with their communities, we will fulfill the DCF's goal of striving to have fathers more engaged in the lives of their children. AAMI SI is working with potentially 160 future Wisconsin fathers who will understand the importance of positive community engagement, the value of securing a good educational foundation and career. We are excited about what our partnership will bring to the 2017 AAMI SI and we look forward to the partnership growing in the future," said Dr. Moeser.

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