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Florida Council on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys Participates in North Police & Youth Conference

Miami Gardens, Florida – October 22, 2024, members of the Florida Council on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys (FCSSBMB), Chairman Jerome Hill, former Vice-Chair Paul Wilson, and current council member Miami Gardens Councilman Reggie Leon, attended the North Police & Youth Conference at Hard Rock Stadium. The event was presented by the 5000 Role Models of Excellence Project in partnership with the Miami Dolphins.

The conference, which focused on fostering positive relationships between law enforcement and youth in the community, featured notable speakers, including the Honorable U.S. Congresswoman Frederica Wilson, who delivered a powerful keynote address. Miami Gardens Councilman Reggie Leon, who also served as a keynote speaker, has been a long-time advocate, volunteer, and community activist for youth and police in Miami Gardens. The FCSSBMB is proud to have him serve as a dedicated member, contributing his experience and passion to our mission.

Paul Wilson, a keynote speaker as an executive member of the 5000 Role Models of Excellence Project and former Vice-Chair of FCSSBMB, also provided valuable insights during the conference.

Chairman Jerome Hill emphasized the importance of this initiative, stating, “Programs like the 5000 Role Models of Excellence are vital to bridging the gap between our youth and law enforcement. Fostering dialogue and mutual understanding, we are working toward a safer and more equitable future for all. I want to acknowledge the Council’s sincere and eternal gratitude to Congresswoman Wilson for her lifelong work and vision which helped create this body on the state level.”

The Florida Council on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys continues to stand in strong support and observance of this valuable initiative, recognizing its significant contribution to the well-being of the community.



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Sincerely,

Jerome Hill, Chairman

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