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2015 ROUNDTABLE

June 10-12, 2015 | Washington, D.C.

AGENDA

Wednesday, June 10, 2015

2-4:30 p.m. | Policing and Criminal Justice

Location: SD-G11 Dirksen Senate Office Building

Participants: U.S. Senator Cory Booker, U.S. Senator Rand Paul, U.S. Congressman Bobby Scott, J.C. Watts, Urban Institute Researcher Jocelyn Fontaine PhD, Bernard Kerik, Urban Institute Researcher Ryan King, Wayne County Sheriff Benny Napoleon

5-6:30 p.m. | Conversation with Congressional Leadership

Location: 2322 Rayburn House Office Building

Participants: Democratic Whip U.S. Congressman Steny Hoyer, Financial Services Committee Ranking Member U.S. Congresswoman Maxine Waters, Judiciary Committee Ranking Member U.S. Congressman John Conyers, Energy and Power Subcommittee Ranking Member U.S. Congressman Bobby Rush, Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit Subcommittee Ranking Member U.S. Congressman William Lacy Clay, U.S. Congressman Hakeem Jeffries

6:30-8 p.m. | Opening Reception

Location: 2322 Rayburn House Office Building

Thursday, June 11, 2015

All sessions will be held at GW Law, 2000 H Street, NW, except where noted

8-8:50 a.m. | Legislative Leadership Session

9 a.m.-1:30 p.m. | Technology

Segments on broadband infrastructure and home adoption, startups/entrepreneurship, and tech diversity

Participants: National Telecommunications and Information Administration Administrator Larry Strickling, Pew Fellow John Horrigan, PhD, Comcast Public Policy ED Madura Wijewardena, FCC Chief of Staff to Commissioner Clyburn Chanelle Hardy, former National Broadband Plan Executive Director Blair Levin, Verizon VP Emilio Gonzalez, Swiftwing Ventures COO Patrick Gusman, MMTC President Kim Keenan, WashingTECH President Joseph Miller, Former NAACP President and CEO and Kapor Capital Partner Benjamin Todd Jealous, Google Senior Policy Advisor Jenny Backus

1:40-4:10 p.m. | Financial Services

Segments on challenges of the unbanked and challenges to credit availability

Participants: MasterCard Global Head of Public Policy Shawn Miles, FDIC

Senior Consumer Research Associate Yazmin Osaki, Potomac Coalition

President Larry Parks, U.S. Small Business Administration Assistant

Administrator Christopher James

4:20-5 p.m. | Wrap Up

FRIDAY, JUNE 12, 2015

8-8:30 a.m. | Legislative Leadership Session

8:30-11:15 a.m. | Energy Workforce

Segments on oil and gas, electricity, and renewables

Participants: FERC Commissioner Colette Honorable, BP VP Ray Dempsey,

EEl Executive VP David Owens, Pepco Strategic Policy Director Robert Revelle,

American Association of Blacks in Energy President Paula Jackson, STEM

Education, Energy, and Workforce Senior Research Scientist Carlos Rodriguez,

PhD, U.S. Dept. of Energy, Solar Energy Technologies Office Director Minh Le

11:40 a.m.-2 p.m. | Meetings at White House

Location: EEOB

Energy, MBK, Criminal Justice: Director of Office of Urban Affairs, Justice, & Opportunity Roy Austin, Public Engagement Advisor Heather Foster, Associate Director of Intergovernmental Affairs Elias Alcantara, Deputy Assistant to the President for Energy and Climate Change Dan Utech, Special Assistant to the President and Deputy Director of Intergovernmental Affairs Rohan Patel, Deputy Assistant to the President and Director of Intergovernmental Affairs Jerry Abramson, Special Assistant to the President and Deputy Director of Intergovernmental Affairs Adrian Saenz, and Special Assistant to the President and Senior Director of Cabinet Affairs for My Brother's Keeper Michael Smith

2-2:30 p.m. | Next Steps

ROUNDTABLE PARTICIPANTS

Georgia House Minority Leader Stacey Abrams

Nevada Senate Co-Minority Whip Kelvin Atkinson

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Illinois Senate Financial Institutions Chair Jacqueline Collins

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- Traveled to Selma, where we hosted a voting rights panel and marched with Congressman John Lewis, President Obama, and President Bush
- Retained several great new team members, including Peter Groff, who served as the nation's third African-American State Senate President
- Organized a Roundtable of top state legislative and city council leaders of color

Right now, we are focused on:

- Organizing a November Conference of the nation's most innovative officials of color
- Publishing a report on the status of diversity among top staff in the U.S. Senate
- Updating our Roster of 11,000 U.S. Black Elected Officials
- Updating our platform for opinion research of people of color

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