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MURIEL BOWSER  
MAYOR

FEB 15 2018

The Honorable Phil Mendelson  
Chairman  
Council of the District of Columbia  
John A. Wilson Building  
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 504  
Washington, DC 20004

Dear Chairman Mendelson:

In accordance with section 2 of the Confirmation Act of 1978, effective March 3, 1979 (D.C. Law 2-142; D.C. Official Code § 1-523.01), and pursuant to section 1072 of the Commission on Fathers, Men, and Boys Establishment Act of 2014, effective February 26, 2015 (D.C. Law 20-155; D.C. Official Code § 3-731), I am pleased to nominate the following individual:

Dr. Amber A. Hewitt  
1530 16th Street NW  
Washington, D.C. 20036  
(Ward 2)

for appointment as a public member of the Commission on Fathers, Men and Boys, replacing Tristan Wilkerson, to serve the remainder of an unexpired term ending September 19, 2020.

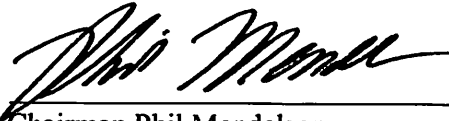
Enclosed you will find biographical information detailing the experience of Dr. Hewitt, together with a proposed resolution to assist the Council during the confirmation process.

I would appreciate the Council's earliest consideration of these nominations for confirmation. Please do not hesitate to contact me, or Steven Walker, Director, Mayor's Office of Talent and Appointments, should the Council require additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Muriel Bowser".

Muriel Bowser

  
Chairman Phil Mendelson  
at the request of the Mayor

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Chairman Phil Mendelson, at the request of the Mayor, introduced the following resolution,  
which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_.

To confirm the appointment of Dr. Amber A. Hewitt to the Commission on Fathers, Men,  
and Boys.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this  
resolution may be cited as the "Commission on Fathers, Men, and Boys Dr. Amber A.  
Hewitt Confirmation Resolution of 2018".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia confirms the appointment of:

Dr. Amber A. Hewitt  
1530 16th Street NW  
Washington, D.C. 20036  
(Ward 2)

as a public member of the Commission on Fathers, Men, and Boys, in accordance with  
section 2 of the Confirmation Act of 1978, effective March 3, 1979 (D.C. Law 2-142; D.C.  
Official Code § 1-523.01) and pursuant to section 1072 of the Commission on Fathers, Men,  
and Boys Establishment Act of 2014, effective February 26, 2015 (D.C. Law 20-155; D.C.  
Official Code § 3-731), replacing Tristan Wilkerson, to serve the remainder of an unexpired  
term ending September 19, 2020.

Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia shall transmit a copy of this  
resolution, upon its adoption, to the nominee and to the Office of the Mayor.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.



Executive Office of the Mayor - Office of Talent and Appointments  
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## Dr. Amber A. Hewitt



Dr. Amber A. Hewitt is Adjunct Faculty for the Department of Psychology at American University.

Dr. Hewitt is a licensed psychologist in Washington, D.C. She is also an American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) Science and Technology Policy Fellow at the National Institute of Mental Health. Dr. Hewitt is a former health policy fellow in the Office of Unites States Senator Cory A. Booker. She completed her pre-doctoral internship at the Center for Multicultural Training in Psychology at Boston Medical Center. Her research interests include identity development, resilience, and well-being of African American children and adolescents. Dr. Hewitt has worked with children, adolescents, adults, families, and groups in her clinical practice.

A Ward 2 resident, Dr. Hewitt received a Bachelor of Science in Biological Sciences from the University of Southern California, a Master of Arts in Psychology from Boston University, and a Doctor of Philosophy in Counseling Psychology from Loyola University Chicago.



## **Amber A. Hewitt, Ph.D.**

Licensed psychologist with research, clinical, and policy expertise related to marginalized boys and young men.

### **EXECUTIVE BRANCH EXPERIENCE**

**National Institute of Mental Health, Bethesda, MD**

*Science Policy Fellow, Office of Science Policy, Planning, and Communications*

- Draft responses to Congressional, Departmental, and other stakeholder requests for information about the mental health research portfolio
- Assist in the development, implementation, and coordination of program planning, evaluation, and strategic planning across the Institute.
- Research and collect data on scientific topics related to mental health research

### **LEGISLATIVE EXPERIENCE**

**The Office of United States Senator Cory A. Booker, Washington, DC**

*Legislative Fellow, Health Policy Team, September 2016 – August 2017*

- Researched and proposed legislative strategies to address access to health care, mental health, child welfare, health disparities, trauma and poverty, disabilities, and education
- Staffed Senator on health care reform proposals and prepared talking points
- Drafted health related legislation and consulted with appropriate stakeholders

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE IN SOCIAL POLICY AND DIRECT SERVICE**

**Department of Psychology, American University, Washington, D.C.**

*Adjunct Faculty, August 2017 – present*

- Teach undergraduate course, *Psychology of Religion*

**Department of Psychology, University of Akron, Akron, OH**

*Assistant Professor (tenure-track), August 2013 – June 2016*

- Taught doctoral and undergraduate level courses in counseling psychology
- Conducted research on resilience, positive youth development, academic achievement of African American boys and young men
- Created and led implementation of a psychoeducational intervention for African American boys

**Minority Behavioral Health Group, Akron, OH**

*Licensed Psychologist, February 2014 – July 2016*

- Provided individual and group psychotherapy for children, adolescents, and adults in a community mental health center
- Conducted psychoeducational evaluations for students with disabilities and consulted with teachers about client's Individualized Education Plans (IEPs)

**Racial and Ethnic Minority Special Interest Group, Society of the Psychological Study of Men and Masculinities, American Psychological Association**

*Co-author, August 2014 – present*

- Co-author on white paper outlining public policy and mental health recommendations for legislators, educators, and law enforcement who interact with boys and men of color

### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

- Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. (public service sorority)
- American Psychological Association
- Association of Black Psychologists

### **EDUCATION**

2008-2013

**Ph.D. Counseling Psychology, Loyola Chicago, Chicago, IL**

2006-2007

**M.A. Psychology, Boston University Boston, MA**

2002-2006

**B.S. Biological Sciences, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA**

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
Executive Office of Mayor Muriel Bowser



Office of the General Counsel to the Mayor

**To:** Alana Intrieri, Steve Walker  
**From:** Betsy Cavendish  
**Date:** November 7, 2017  
**Subject:** Legal sufficiency review of Resolution nominating Dr. Tamara A. Henry and Dr. Amber A. Hewitt as members of the Commission on Fathers, Men, and Boys

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**This is to Certify** that this office has reviewed the above-referenced Resolution and found it to be legally unobjectionable. If you have any questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to call me at 202-724-7681.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Elizabeth A. Cavendish". The signature is written in a cursive style.

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Elizabeth Cavendish