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**The Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Foundation Announces Addition of  
Kawanza Humphrey to Program Committee**

*Buffalo-native will advise on Foundation's programmatic strategy & grantmaking*

**Detroit, MI /Buffalo, NY (July 17, 2019)** – The Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Foundation today announced the appointment of Kawanza Humphrey as a non-trustee member of the Foundation's Program Committee. The committee, currently comprised of the Foundation's four life trustees and three at-large trustees, reviews grant requests and provides strategic direction for the Foundation's programmatic investments prior to final board approval.

Humphrey serves as a regional corporate responsibility officer at KeyBank N.A. In this role, she is in charge of community investment programs in Buffalo, Rochester and Syracuse and oversees the local execution of KeyBank's \$16.5 billion community benefits plan. She also leads KeyBank's partnership in the Eastside Innovation Zone with the Buffalo Public Schools.

"We are delighted Kawanza has joined our program committee. Her experience with community development, along with her personal and professional knowledge of the Buffalo community and Western New York region will be a great complement to our current team," said Eugene Driker, board chair, Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Foundation. "Her passion for improving the quality of life in her community can also be seen throughout her numerous personal philanthropic endeavors."

Humphrey grew up in Buffalo and attended Bennett High School. She earned an undergraduate degree at the University at Buffalo and a master's degree in executive leadership and change at Daemen College. She is a 20-year member of Delta Sigma Theta sorority and is a graduate of Leadership Buffalo's Rising Leaders Program. Humphrey also serves on the Board of Directors for the Sisters Hospital Foundation in Buffalo and holds several volunteer positions.

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**About the Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Foundation:**

*The Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Foundation is a grantmaking organization dedicated primarily to sustained investment in the quality of life of the people of Southeast Michigan and Western New York. The two areas reflect Ralph C. Wilson, Jr.'s devotion to his hometown of Detroit and greater Buffalo, home of his Buffalo Bills franchise. Prior to his passing in 2014, Mr. Wilson requested that a significant share of his estate be used to continue a life-long generosity of spirit by funding the Foundation that bears his name. The Foundation has a grantmaking capacity of \$1.2 billion over a 20-year period, which expires January 8, 2035. This structure is consistent with Mr. Wilson's desire for the Foundation's impact to be immediate, substantial, measurable and overseen by those who knew him best. For more information visit [www.rcwjrf.org](http://www.rcwjrf.org).*

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