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The Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Foundation Announces New Program Committee Members

Dr. Thomasina “Tina” Stenhouse and Monique Wells have been selected to join the Foundation’s Program Committee

Detroit, MI /Buffalo, NY (December 14, 2022) – The Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Foundation today announced the appointment of Monique Wells and Dr. Thomasina R. Stenhouse as non-trustee members of the Foundation’s Program Committee. The committee, currently comprised of the Foundation’s three 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.

Dr. Thomasina R. Stenhouse, more commonly known as “Tina,” joins the Foundation from Buffalo, NY where she was born and raised. Dr. Stenhouse is heavily involved in the United Way serving on the United Way of Buffalo and Erie County Board of Directors, as well as being a member of the United Way Tocqueville Society and Leadership Society. She is also an advisory board member of Women United; director of the Christian Ministry at her church; and a member of the Buffalo Bills Foundation Trustee Board. She is highly experienced in human resources and has a diversified background in private and public service. She holds a BA in Sociology and a M.Ed. in Education both from Howard University. She earned her Ph.D. in Management at the State University of New York at Buffalo. Dr. Stenhouse has also served as an adjunct professor at the State University of New York at Buffalo, School of Management.

Monique Wells is the director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion at DTE Energy and is responsible for accelerating DTE’s progress in building a workplace where everyone feels valued and able to contribute their best energy toward serving customers, communities, and each other. Wells earned a bachelor’s degree in Chemical Engineering at Michigan Tech, and a master’s degree in Career and Technical Education from the University of Toledo. She has experience as a production engineer at Dow and an instructor at Toledo Technology Academy. Wells also serves on the Michigan Technological University DEISB (Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Sense of Belonging) Board and the College of Engineering Advisory Board.

“We are proud to welcome Monique and Tina to our Program Committee. We will benefit greatly from their depth of knowledge and experience across Southeast Michigan and Western New York as we work in partnership to advance the Foundation’s grantmaking and program strategies.” Mary Wilson, board chair and life trustee, Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Foundation.

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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 the devotion of Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. to his hometown of Detroit and greater Buffalo, home of his beloved Buffalo Bills NFL team. Prior to his passing in 2014, Mr. Wilson provided 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. Based in Detroit, the Foundation began with 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.

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