



April 15, 2017

To: The ANCS Governing Board

**Re: Slate of Candidates for ANCS Governing Board
Terms beginning July 1, 2017
[To vote on April 18, 2017]**

I, Leigh Finlayson, Chair of the Nominations Subcommittee, following the consideration, review and interview of applicants by the subcommittee, do hereby move as follows:

- 1) I move the ANCS Governing Board to approve and accept the following candidates to serve as Board Members for the standard three (3) year terms, said terms beginning on July 1, 2017:
 - A) Nakia Echols
 - B) Laura Melton
 - C) Howard Franklin.

Brief summaries of these candidates' credentials are hereto attached as "Exhibit A." (You have already been provided their full CV's and application materials).

Thank you to the many fine applicants and to members of the committee, Mitch White, Joyce Gist Lewis, Meeghan Fortson and Matt Underwood, for all your hard work and dedication to ANCS !

-Leigh Finlayson
Nominations Subcommittee Chair



“EXHIBIT A.”



Nakia Echols: Nakia has a MBA from UGA and a MS in Engineering from Georgia Tech. She previously worked for IBM and is now a Senior Executive Program Manager at Equifax. She and her family live in Summerhill. Nakia is talented in many areas and likely will be asked to join the Technology Subcommittee if approved by the Board.



Laura Melton: Laura has 20+ years in the fields of corporate finance and accounting, financial reporting, and business operations in both the for-profit and not-for-profit sectors. She served as Chief Financial Officer for three organizations over the past twelve years. She has extensive management experience and deep expertise in Human Resources and Contract Review and Negotiation. She likely will be asked to join the Business and Operations Committee if approved by the Board.



Howard Franklin: Howard is a regulatory affairs lobbyist. He has run political campaigns and done neighborhood outreach work in Trestletree Village in Grant Park. Howard is dedicated to helping ANCS further its diversity and inclusion missions. He is a graduate of Morehouse College. Howard has extensive prior governing board experience. He likely will be asked to join the Governance Committee and Public Affairs Subcommittee if approved by the Board.
