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## MAYOR LIGHTFOOT NOMINATES ANGELA HURLOCK AS CHAIR OF CHA BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Mayor taps veteran affordable housing advocate, real estate developer and architect to lead the third-largest public housing authority in the country

**CHICAGO** – Mayor Lori E. Lightfoot today nominated Angela Hurlock for Chair of the Chicago Housing Authority (CHA) Board of Commissioners. Angela currently serves as Executive Director of Claretian Associates, a community development corporation that for the past 30 years has provided affordable, safe and environmentally efficient housing to the residents of South Chicago.

"Angela has spent her entire career working to provide affordable housing options that change the trajectory of people's lives," said Mayor Lightfoot. "The CHA is Chicago's largest provider of affordable housing, and I can think of no one more qualified and committed than Angela to ensure that CHA continues to expand safe, secure, and affordable housing options throughout the city."

As Executive Director of Claretian Associates, Angela Hurlock is dedicated to building a sense of family among those who reside within the organization's four housing developments in the South Chicago neighborhood. Prior to assuming the position of Executive Director, Angela held the position of Senior Director of Real Estate Development for Bethel New Life, a nonprofit serving Chicago's West Side. Under her tenure, the organization was able to provide families at or below 50% Area Median Income with affordable transit-oriented housing opportunities and employment resources while reviving the community area through economic development.

"It is an honor to join Mayor Lightfoot, the CHA Board of Commissioners, and the entire City of Chicago to ensure that people have housing options that will significantly enhance their quality of life," said Angela Hurlock. "I've spent my life in the service of helping others secure and realize the sense of belonging that comes with a place to call their own."



Ms. Hurlock is LEED, AP certified by the U.S. Green Building Council, holds a Master's of Architecture, a Master's of Business Administration, and Bachelor's of Science in Architectural Studies all from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

## **About CHA**

Created in 1937 to own and operate housing that was built by the federal government under President Franklin Roosevelt's Public Works Administration, today the Chicago Housing Authority provides homes to more than 63,000 households while supporting healthy communities in neighborhoods throughout the city. Designated a Moving to Work agency by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, CHA has used that flexibility to create innovative partnerships that expand choices and opportunities for the low-income families and individuals it serves. At the start of 2018, 63 percent of work-able CHA residents were working and earning almost \$22,000 annually.

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