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May 1, 2009

C. Virginia Fields
President/CEO
National Black Leadership Commission on AIDS
105 East 22nd Street Suite 711
New York, NY 10010

Dear Ms. Fields:

The National Conference of Black Mayors is writing this letter in support of the initiative by the National Black Leadership Commission on AIDS (NBLCA) to extend its high quality capacity building services to African-American communities across the U.S.

During the past three years, NBLCA's Community Leadership Mobilization team has provided excellent capacity building and leadership mobilization training to faith leaders, community-based organizations and other community stakeholders in targeted cities in the U.S. The result of this good work is a significant increased access to and utilization of HIV testing and care services and awareness of the epidemic among non-traditional stakeholders. In short, the training and technical assistance from the NBLCA has helped us to make a substantial impact on health outcomes in our community.

We strongly support the efforts by NBLCA to continue and expand their provision of these critical capacity building services and will continue to work with NBLCA to promote HIV prevention in African-American communities throughout the U.S.

Please do not hesitate to call me at (404) 765-6444 if you have any questions or need additional information in this regard.

Best regards,

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