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Joint Board Matter with Chairman McKay and Supervisor Lusk Capital Youth Empowerment Program (CYEP) Unite Conference

Members of the Board,

The Capital Youth Empowerment Program (CYEP) is a unifying force in the National Capital region that works to connect industries to disenfranchised families and fosters the needs of the community. The CYEP hosts an inaugural *Unite Conference and Career Expo* that seeks to unite the community with higher education and industry partners to explore income inequality issues for boys and girls.

This year, the <u>CYEP Unite Conference</u> is taking place on Monday, February 20th and will be hosted at the Capital One Hall located at 7750 Capital One Tower Rd, Tysons, VA from 1-4 p.m. The conference will feature a town hall session, more than 20 breakout sessions, and a career expo. In addition, CYEP will host the Fairfax County My Brother's Keeper Summit, which will give Fairfax County leaders a platform to improve educational and economic outcomes for boys of color.

This Career Expo is inclusive and will allow men and women throughout the DMV to engage with various employers and industries such as technology, engineering, government, business, healthcare, and others. The goals of this expo are to expose students to STEM pathways and experiences, create a platform for men and women to build self-efficacy, learn their history, and develop positive social behaviors. The expo will provide

opportunities for networking with professional leaders in education, STEM, medicine,

business, and government, and connect participants with companies for near and future

career opportunities.

There are various ways to participate in the Unite Conference and Career Expo. Students

and those interested in participating in the expo as an organization, sponsor, and or for

table information, can be found at www.cyep.org. Thank you, Capital Youth

Empowerment Program for your dedication and effort in enriching the lives of our

community and youth!

Therefore, I move that the Office of Public Affairs partner with Neighborhood and

Community Services' Teen Centers to advertise the Capital Youth Empowerment Program

(CYEP) Unite Conference on their channels, and to encourage and invite the community to

join this wonderful opportunity.

The Honorable Dalia A. Palchik February 7, 2023