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***Dayton Unit NAACP Leaders
Elected to Statewide Offices***

DAYTON, OHIO - SEPTEMBER 14, 2019 - On Saturday, at the Park Inn by Radisson located in Toledo, Ohio, the Ohio Conference NAACP held its biennial election with terms commencing on September 14, 2019 and expiring on September 25, 2021. Dr. Derrick L. Foward, President of the Dayton Unit of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), was re-elected to serve as 2nd Vice President of the NAACP for the State of Ohio. Foward ran unopposed.

Tom Roberts, Former Ohio State Senator and current Dayton Unit NAACP 2nd Vice President, was re-elected to serve as President of the Ohio Conference NAACP. Roberts defeated Arlean Anderson, of Cleveland, Ohio and received 68.85% of the votes.

Ophelia Averitt, Former President of the Akron Unit NAACP and current NAACP National Board Member, was leading in the election results against Annette McCoy, President of the Warren-Trumbull Unit NAACP, for her re-election bid as 1st Vice President for the State of Ohio. There were challenged ballots that have yet to be counted by the National NAACP.

Denise Williams, President of the Springfield Unit NAACP, was re-elected to serve as 3rd Vice President for the State of Ohio. Williams ran unopposed.

Deb Shamlin, President of the Stark County Unit NAACP was elected as Secretary for the State of Ohio. Shamlin ran unopposed. Andre

Washington of the Columbus Unit NAACP was re-elected as Treasurer for the State of Ohio. Washington ran unopposed.

WilliAnn Moore, Former President of the Toledo Unit NAACP, was re-elected as Assistant Treasurer for the State of Ohio. Moore ran unopposed.



Founded in 1915, the Dayton Unit of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) is the city's oldest and largest nonpartisan civil rights organization. Its members throughout the Dayton Region and Montgomery County are the premier advocates for civil rights in their communities. Their core goals are to **Inform**, **Educate** and **Empower** the Citizenry as they pursue justice and equality for all Americans.

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