## GORDON STATE ANNOUNCES REGINA LEWIS-WARD EMPOWERMENT SCHOLARSHIP

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Montrese Adger Fuller, Executive Director of the GSC Foundation and Vice President for Advancement, External Relations and Marketing; Regina Lewis-Ward, Georgia House of Representatives member; and Dr. Kirk A. Nooks, GSC President.

The Gordon State College Foundation, Inc. is pleased to announce the Regina Lewis-Ward Empowerment Scholarship, which has been established by Georgia House of Representatives member Regina Lewis-Ward.

Serving Georgia's District 109, which covers parts of the GSC's 14-county primary service region, Ms. Lewis-Ward's generosity has led to this scholarship being created for the students at Gordon State College. This ongoing \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded each fall semester to a deserving student.

"This scholarship is something that I have been planning to do for a long time and now the dream is becoming a reality," Lewis-Ward said. "I am thankful to the administration at Gordon State College for providing me with this opportunity to advance a student's education."

General criteria for the scholarship includes the applicant residing in Georgia's House District 109, which includes areas in Newton County, Rockdale County and Henry County; evidence of community service and volunteer activities; representing an underrepresented group in public service; and must be pursuing an Associate of Arts degree in political science or a Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies - Public Services Track.

"We are grateful for the gift that Rep. Lewis-Ward has provided Gordon State College," said GSC President Dr. Kirk A. Nooks said. "Her generosity speaks to her desire to make a difference within this region. This philanthropic act is another demonstration of 'The Power of WE.'"

Lewis-Ward (D) was born in Brooklyn, N.Y., and earned a bachelor's degree in Business Administration in computer science from Bernard M. Baruch College and a master's of Arts in political science from Clayton State University.

Lewis-Ward's career experiences include working as a shop steward with the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), a writer of children's books and serving as an adjunct political science instructor.

"I am so glad that Rep. Lewis-Ward chose Gordon State College to establish her scholarship," said Montrese Adger Fuller, Executive Director of the Gordon State College Foundation and Vice President for Advancement, External Relations and Marketing. "The students will benefit from her generous support for many years to come."