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### WISCONSIN LOTTERY **WORKS TO RAISE AWARENESS ABOUT** THE RISKS OF YOUTH **GAMBLING THIS HOLIDAY SEASON**

MADISON-- This holiday season, the Wisconsin Lottery is working with the National Council on Problem Gambling (NCPG) and the International Centre for Youth Gambling Problems and High-Risk Behaviors at McGill University to build awareness that lottery products are not an appropriate gift for minors.

Wisconsin has joined more than 140 lotteries and nonlottery organizations in the 2023 Gift Responsibly Campaign to raise awareness about the risks of buying lottery tickets for children.

During December, participating organizations will edu-

cate communities about the problems associated with youth gambling and support responsible gambling practices.

The Wisconsin Lottery will use media relations, social media, digital instore messaging, and retailer communications SIN LOTTERY'S CONto underscore the message that Lottery tickets **DISCOURAGE YOUTH IN**aren't child's play.

"We are proud to join the lottery community to support the 2023 Gift Lottery tickets are not a on Problem Gambling gift for minors," said Wisconsin Lottery Director Cindy Polzin.

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The Wisconsin Lottery has a long-standing commitment to responsible gaming and has partnered with the Wisconsin Council on Problem Gambling (WCPG) on problem gambling education for more than 15 years and currently has a Responsible Gaming Level 2 Certification with the World Lottery Association.

"The December Gift Responsibly Campaign is an important way to encourage responsible gambling," said Wisconsin Council on Problem Gambling Executive Director Rose Blozinski.

"Underage gambling is a serious problem and we applaud the Wisconsin Lottery's continued efforts to discourage youth involvement in any form of gambling."

Individuals struggling with a gambling problem can reach out for confidential help by calling the Problem Gambling Helpline at 800-GAMBLE-5 (800-426-2535) or TEXT 850-888-HOPE (850-888-4673). Information is also available at wi-problemgamblers.org.



### Don't know how to play Spades? **These Black Harvard Business** School students can school you!

Students behind the Harvard Business School's Spades clinic sat down with the-Grio to discuss the clinic, the game, and how to learn to play.—By Kay Wicker

As well known as the card game Spades is among most Black Americans, there are many Black folks who have no clue how to play.

There's always some variation of the same story as to why: older generations

are often too engrossed in the game to explain gameplay to the younger set.

Understanding the need for a safe space to learn the game, two Black Harvard **Business School Students** created exactly that for their peers.

Alliyah Gary and Chelsea Grain Jefferson, two second-year Harvard Business School students, hosted a Spades clinic (with a freefor-all worksheet!) for their

fellow students just before the Thanksgiving holiday.

According to Gary, the idea arose during an Africa Business Club retreat, during which discussions turned to "the different things that make Black culture so beautiful."

Given how diverse the Black community is within Harvard Business School, which spans Black folks from around the world, they were searching for a way to "share the different nuances of our culture."

For Grain Jefferson, a self-described "activity girlie" at functions who always carries a pack of cards with her to social events, people are always asking her to teach them to play Spades.

She said, "So it just felt really organic to say, 'OK, we could probably do this at

scale, and there are plenty of other things that we probably should be teach-

With days before Thanksgiving, the inaugural Spades clinic went off without a hitch.

In matching velour sweatsuits, Gary and Grain Jef-

ferson

ence, they served Caribbean food catered by a Black-owned business and taught the history of the game against a soundtrack of Black music.

"Beyond just teaching the art of Spades, we were really intentional about celebrating the Blackness that is a part of Spades," Gary said.

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-Alliyah Gary, one of two Harvard Business School students who created the Spades clinic

hosted 50 of their peers, with Gary, a seasoned Spades player, teaching. To round out the experi-

Footage of the Spades clinic went viral when it hit social media, proving, as (continued on page 3)

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of Black culture

Gary and Grain Jefferson learned, that not knowing how to play is a pervasive social problem within the Black community. For some, it feels as if Spades is in jeopardy of disappearing as a time-honored cultural tradition.

"This is one of the few intergenerational activities and experiences that you can really share with your parents or grandparents or aunts and uncles," Grain Jefferson noted.

By and large, the reception online has been overwhelmingly positive. On TikTok in particular, Grain Jefferson said she noticed how commenters have really opened up about their despair in not knowing how to play the game. On Instagram, it's a mix of encouragement and commiseration. Meanwhile, folks have been a bit more critical on X, formerly known as Twitter. Some have questioned whether Spades should be gatekept from other cultures entirely, rhetoric Grain Jefferson said she doesn't agree with.

"There were some very divisive comments and messages I saw, and I think that's really emblematic of why a lot of people aren't learning and why the tradition's dying a bit," Grain Jefferson said, adding, "People are so protective over the idea of it, and then it just stays with the people who already know it. I think the loss in that is that con-

nection we have to the next generation of folks who really have the opportunity to keep our traditions alive."

She also doesn't agree with the idea that the clinic should be turned into a business opportunity.

"In my opinion, you shouldn't put a price on the culture like that," she said.

Nevertheless, when asked if they would produce the clinic again, both Gary and Grain Jefferson gave a resounding "yes!" In the meantime, the two offer advice to anyone who may still be sitting on the sidelines during family games this holiday season.

Grain said a very lowpressure way to get started learning is to make use of internet Spades. There are various apps and online games, she said, that can really help improve one's skills.

"That way, one day you can hustle your whole family and be like, 'Yeah, no, I'm a beginner,' and then you're crushing it because you've been playing internet Spades for like two hours a night for a week," she said.

Ultimately, Gary said, "Practice makes perfect," advising us not to retreat from the family game.

"Keep sitting at the table," she said. "Don't let the trash talk get to you. And just remember to have fun. Like, above all else, it really is just a way to build community and really bridge the gap intergenerationally."



## HERE'S HOW TO START PLANNING YOUR NUPTIALS WITH LESS STRESS!

The founder of Black bridal stationery brand Woosah Bride gives advice for newly engaged couples.

BY KAY WICKER

You get the ring, or finally get your "yes!," and then what? How do you begin planning? Where do you start? Is there a way to set yourself up for a stress-free wedding planning experience? According to the Woosah Bride, it just might be possible.

As couples around the globe take full advantage of the holiday magic and finally put a ring on it, Shonté Parrish-Norgriff, founder of the Black bridal wellness and stationery brand Woosah Bride, sat down with the Grio to impart some wedding planning wisdom. She discusses how newly engaged couples can get started with their planning and, most importantly, how they can keep their mental health in check in the process.

Whether planning an intimate elopement or an elaborate, massive bash, planning to get

married can become overwhelming, stressful, expensive, and a doozy on one's mental health. However, it doesn't have to be. There are common pitfalls many newly engaged couples make that Parrish-Norgriff advises against if you want an emotionally balanced experience.

The first major pitfall she sees couples make is getting started with planning too soon. In fact, the first thing she tells newly engaged couples to do is nothing at all.

"Don't do anything," she said, "Take a mo-

"Don't do anything," she said. "Take a moment and bask in the present. Just enjoy the present with your partner, with your family, and just celebrate."

There's no hard and fast rule on how soon you should start planning after you get engaged. Couples are advised to take their time. When it is time, though, Parrish-Norgriff said couples, especially brides, should first determine what type of bride or couple they are going to be: elopement, frugal, destination, modern, etc. Nailing this crucial element down in the beginning "will help you realize what you might need to prioritize," Parrish-Norgriff said.

Knowing what type of vibe you're going for will help you more organically begin to formu-

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# HOW TO START PLANNING

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late everything from the budget to what you're wearing to who you're inviting.

Next, Parrish-Norgriff suggests couples decide on a date and a budget, which she said "will definitely play a part in how quickly you plan." When deciding on a budget, she stressed that couples should remain "open-minded" to the fact that many couples make their dream weddings happen on a variety of scales.

"Google will probably tell you the average wedding is like \$30,000, but it really just depends," she said.

Another common pitfall of couples planning weddings that can lead to stress is letting social media build the wrong kind of expectations. Parrish-Norgriff said couples see things like elaborate decor, luxury dress-fitting appointments, and cinematic-quality wedding photos and videos all on social media

without knowing how much any of it costs. "So you can kind of set yourself up for disappointment just by not doing the research," she said.

However, as planning really gets underway, Parrish-Norgriff said the stress can come from "all angles."

"It can come from your family because they might feel entitled for you to have a certain kind of wedding for them," she said. "It can come from friends who feel like they should have a certain place in your wedding. It can come from your partner feeling like you should give them what they want."

She added, "The stress can come from you, honestly, not understanding boundaries; not understanding how to prioritize yourself, and letting people guilt you."

Parrish-Norgriff is, unfortunately, speaking from experience. She said her own wedding experience, fraught from her overspending her capacity, is what led her to launch the Woosah Bride in the first place.

When planning her own wedding in late 2020 through early 2021, while her fiancé, friends, family, and planner were all great sources of support, Parrish-Norgriff said she experienced a lot of stress and trauma. As she began to struggle with depression, anxiety, and stress, she sought resources but couldn't find quite what she was looking for.

"I couldn't find any resources that literally talked about mental health, particularly for planning brides," she said. "Everything just talked about how to spend money, decor, or guests."

She also couldn't find any planning tools like journals and planning binders that featured Black brides or spoke to the Black wedding-planning experience.

"And so I decided I'm going to try to found a business that talks about mental health and wellness as you're planning your wedding, but also bridges the gap [for] representation of Black and brown women in the wedding industry," she said.

Through the Woosah Bride, Parrish-Norgriff is bringing awareness to the importance of balancing wellness during a weddingplanning journey and empowering Black brides to prioritize themselves during the planning process. Woosah Bride offers wedding planners, journals, and notepads that feature Black brides on the covers and health advice from licensed professional therapists and wellness advisers, including dermatologists, within the pages.

The Woosah Bride also offers something Parrish-Norgriff highly encourages: professional assistance. Through a bridal assistance arm, the brand can help the newly engaged at any stage of their planning. Most clients reach out in the early days, and Parrish-Norgriff will help them narrow down ideas, do research on options, and even help match couples with a professional planner. There's even an in-house stylist couples can consult with about engagement photos, wedding events, and of course, the big day. "Really, the point is to save you time," she

### How is faith called to advocate for reproductive and sexual justice?

Revs. Alisha Lola Jones and Calvin Taylor Skinner explore faith's role in reproductive and sexual justice for Black women.

By Revs. Dr. Alisha Lola Jones and Calvin Taylor Skinner

Recently, at the annual conference of the American Academy of Religion (AAR) in San Antonio, several activists, lawyers, pastors and scholars gathered for a forum to strategize in response to the Dobbs decision and its effect on reproductive justice. The Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization decision was a landmark ruling that not only overturned Roe v. Wade and Planned Parenthood v. Casey but also ignited a firestorm of debates, protests, and cultural shifts. In stripping away fundamental abortion rights in the United States, the Dobbs decision was a startling reminder of the constant tension between religious beliefs and reproductive rights.

Asked to moderate the panel, Rev. Alisha hesitated, less than energized by what seemed to be yet another opportunity to do the invisible, emotional labor of interracial social justice work alongside white women. At such a crucial moment in history, her priority was investigating the life circumstances and lack of options Black women frequently face without the stigma plaguing Black women's sexual lives.

Thankfully, she nevertheless answered the call.

As experts from various racial, cultural, and ethnic backgrounds began to share their perspectives at the AAR conference, Dr. Toni Bond of the Collective Power for Reproductive Justice and Ms. Marsha Jones of

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The Afiya Center specified exactly what's at stake for Black women in the ongoing conversation about reproductive justice. Evoking a womanist praxis that values resources found in storytelling, women's stories were shared of navigating pregnancies at 12 and 16 years old, struggling to comprehend church homes that ridiculed them while leaving the men who impregnated them unscathed. One attendee divulged an all-too-common story of being "sat down" in her church while the father of her child was permitted to continue to preach from that same church's pulpit.

As faith leaders, our response to stories like these — and the larger issues they reflect — are sorely needed. We believe faith can bring hope and empowerment in addressing these matters; however, even from our perspective as pastors, we confess the Black faith community has fallen short in removing the stigmas associated with this topic. Only recently have religious public figures even begun to disclose their reproductive and sexual justice stories.

Earlier this month, there was cause for celebration when gospel recording artist Kierra Sheard-Kelly and her husband, Jordan Kelly, welcomed their first child — especially because the road to growing their family wasn't smooth or direct. Sheard-Kelly confronted the aforementioned stigma head-on after divulging at a conference in May 2022 a decision she felt compelled to make due to complications with previous pregnancies. She experienced two miscarriages — or what some medical activists call "spontaneous abortions" — one of which occurred while on tour and was navigated through life-saving surgery by a woman physician who listened to Sheard-Kelly's concerns and provided a safe and timely space for her to use medical wisdom.

In telling her story, Sheard-Kelly was intentional, using language that destigmatized reproductive justice while sharing her logic and ethics with her theologically conservative fanbase. In her view, the procedure that saved her life is at risk of being discontinued due to Roe v. Wade's reversal. As COGIC and gospel music family royalty, Sheard-Kelly's testimony is potentially persuasive; many fans have watched her grow up before our eyes, granting us a sense of familiarity and protectiveness.

Thankfully, Sheard-Kelly found safety in wise medical counsel, which, as reflected in Proverbs 11:14, preserved her life and prepared her for a viable pregnancy.

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Judge's Name: HON. PEDRO A COLON ROOM 412 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: NO-VEMBER 7, 2023, TIME 10:15 A.M

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### IT IS ORDERED

This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wis-

Judge's Name: HON. DAVID BO-ROWSKI PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: DECEMBER 11, 2023, TIME 1:30 P.M.

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HON. DAVID BOROWSKI Circuit Court Judge 616/11-15-22-29-2023

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Case No. 23CV008328

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Judge's Name: HON. THOMAS J MCA-DAMS RM 404 PLACE 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE DE-CEMBER 4, 2023, TIME 2:00 P.M.

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### IT IS ORDERED

This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.

Judge's Name: HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY ROOM 401 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE DE-CEMBER 15, 2023, TIME 10:00 A.M.

### IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: Notice of this hearing shall be given by

publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Dated: 10-17-2023 BY THE COURT: HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY Circuit Court Judge 627/11-22-29/12-6-2023

> **SUMMONS** (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 23CV008361

In the matter of the name change of: MA-LAYIAH A'MOR TRAWICK By (Petitioner) OCTAVIA SAMONE CLAYBORN

### NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: MALAYIAH A'MOR TRAWICK to: MALAYIAH A'MOR CLAYBORN Birth Certificate: MALAYIAH A'MOR TRAWICK

### IT IS ORDERED

This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.

Judge's Name: HON. BRITTANY GRAY-SON ROOM 402 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE DECEMBER 14, 2023, TIME 3:00

### IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Dated: 11-3-2023 BY THE COURT: HON. BRITTANY GRAYSON Circuit Court Judge 626/11-22-29/12-6-2023 **SUMMONS** 

> (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING

### Case No. 23CV008566

In the matter of the name change of: AGUSTIN CUEVAS By (Petitioner) AGUSTIN CUEVAS

### NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: AGUSTIN CUEVAS to: AGUSTIN LEI HWANG SHI-WOO KKAMAGVVI Birth Certificate: AGUSTIN CUEVAS

### IT IS ORDERED

This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. BRITTANY GRAY-SON ROOM 402 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: JANUARY 24, 2024, TIME 10:15

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Dated: 11-10-2023 BY THE COURT: HON. BRITTANY GRAYSON

671/11-29/12-6-13-2023 **SUMMONS** (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 23CV008829

In the matter of the name change of: SOFIA MARLIES HELM By (Petitioner) SOFIA MARLIES HELM

### NOTICE IS GIVEN:

Circuit Court Judge

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: FROM: SOFIA MARLIES HELM TO: SOFIA MARLIES-HELM OLSZEWSKI Birth Certificate: SOFIA MARLIES HELM

### IT IS ORDERED

This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wis-

Judge's Name: HON. DAVID BO-ROWSKI PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: JANUARY 8, 2024, TIME 10:30 A.M.

### IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

Circuit Court Judge

672/11-29/12-6-13-2023

Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Dated: 11-22-2023 BY THE COURT: HON. DAVID BOROWSKI

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### Faith and reproductive justice (continued from page 4)

Though not all women will have or are even pursuing the same outcome, far too many women do not explore their options, fearing inadequate or judgmental counsel from those whose true role is to dispassionately and skillfully center our needs. However, faith urges us to craft a team that keeps our best interests in mind.

In what ways does our faith call to us to maintain and fight for

Is there more room needed to expand perspectives on reproductive and sexual justice, especially when it comes to African-American women?

We will miss an opportunity to truly move this conversation forward if we do not decolonize our approach. While white spaces center abortion access and contraceptives, African-American women have always faced barriers to accessing those services. A genuinely inclusive approach to reproductive and sexual justice issues calls us to equally center matters that affect Black mothers' mortality, morbidity, HIV/AIDS prevention and management, and even the parameters for Black women to maintain agency in their own pleasure.

Positions on reproductive and sexual justice are not monolithic, offering nuanced approaches to issues of reproductive and sexual justice. For Black women leaders, the call to respond to the Dobbs decision goes beyond ideological lines. It demands grappling with complex moral questions about the sanctity of life, bodily autonomy, and social justice that are situated in colonial legacies of chattel slavery in which Black

people's bodies were not our own but considered property, with no protections or autonomy upheld in the law. Due to structural racism, many in our community (namely women) are faced with making dire decisions about our bodies or for the sake of our families — not out of luxury, but out of necessity. We are literally dealing with life-or-death issues. And so, Black women must prioritize and speak for themselves in these intercultural and interracial conversations as they open up space for a more inclusive and empathetic dialogue.

When affluent women like Sheard-Kelly, Beyoncé and Serena Williams are at risk of dying while giving birth, we cannot simply point to Black families in lower economic strata as the most vulnerable. There is a critical cry and call to elevate our understanding and embrace, as expressed in John 10:10: "I came that, you may have life and have it abundantly."

This text not only empowers us to be uplifted spiritually but also to accept that life lived to the utmost is a moral mandate, meaning neither spiritual nor physical existence should be impeded by structural barriers. With the tools and knowledge humanity has obtained to date, this should be realized — and in these intense contexts, faith and spirituality can provide valuable perspectives on sharing our stories within reason, with courage and vigilance. Faith can call us to emphasize empathy, compassion, understanding, and amplification of the disenfranchised in our discussions about reproductive and sexual justice. We can be mindful of the values of justice, equity, and dignity for all individuals, regardless of their reproductive choices.

As Jones of The Afiya Center urged, the conversation about reproductive and sexual justice should expand beyond the focus on abortion alone. Though the Dobbs decision has had a profound impact on abortion rights, it also draws attention to persistent, systemic concerns about reproductive health issues, including access to contraception, comprehensive sex education, and the right to make choices about one's own body and sexual expression. Actual agency in reproductive justice includes acknowledging and celebrating the importance of sexuality and pleasure as essential aspects of the human experience.

These values are at the core of the Black women-led Collective Power for Reproductive Justice, an organization dedicated to addressing reproductive, racial, and economic injustice, and emphasizes the importance of centering those most affected by reproductive oppression. Spiritually, this approach resonates with many faith traditions that call us to prioritize the well-being and dignity of all individuals, especially those who have been historically marginalized or silenced.

At the close of AAR's convening, we were reminded that the call to justice transcends ideological boundaries, instead inviting us to work together to create a society where everyone's rights and dignity are honored.

The moral demand of spirit-led and justice-minded people to fill the gap and rectify the systems that create the socioeconomic and ideological dilemmas we face is critical. Within faith circles, the efforts to decolonize our faith also challenge those who maintain and benefit from the status quo to engage in frontline efforts to address policy and wellness training for healthcare providers in hopes of reforming our methods of serving one another in these tough moments. Simply put, it's time for mainline faith leaders to put hearts, money and minds where the sacred text outlines what it means to facilitate life and prosperity, from the cradle to the grave.

**SUMMONS** (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 23CV008683 In the matter of the name change of: PA-

TRICIA MARIE BAILEY By (Petitioner) PATRICIA MARIE BAI-

NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: PATRICIA MARIE BAILEY to: PA-TRICIA MARIE HMRELEWSKI

Birth Certificate: PATRICIA MARIE BAI-

### IT IS ORDERED

This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wis-

Judge's Name: HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY ROOM 401 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE JANUARY 5, 2024, TIME 11:30 A.M.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3)

weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Dated: 11-16-2023

BY THE COURT:

HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY Circuit Court Judge 674/11-29/12-6-13-2023

**SUMMONS** STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY

WITHOUT MINOR CHILDREN **DIVORCE 40101** Case No. 23FA006056

IN RE: THE MARRIAGE OF Petitioner: GIZELLA V JOHNSON 4472 N 72nd St Milwaukee WI 53218 and ENOS G NELSON 4472 N 72nd St Milwaukee WI 53218

The State of Wisconsin, To the person named above as respondent.

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that your spouse has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you. The Petitioner which is attached states the nature and basis of the legal action.

Within 20 days of receiving the Summons, you must provide a written response, as that term is used in Ch. 802, Wis. Stats., to the Petition. The Court may reject or disregard a response that does not follow the requirements of the statues.

The response must be sent or delivered to the court at: Clerk of Court, Milwaukee County Courthouse 901 N 9th St Rm 104 Milwaukee WI 53233.

The response must also be mailed or delivered within 20 days to the petitioner at the address above.

It is recommended, but not required that you have an attorney help or represent you.

If you do not provide a proper response within 20 days, the court may grant judgment against you and you may lose your

right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the Petition

A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.

BY: GIZELLA V JOHNSON Milwaukee WI 53206 675/11-29/12-6-13-2023 **SUMMONS** STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY WITHOUT MINOR CHILDREN

Date: 10-10-2023

**DIVORCE 40101** Case No. 23FA005626 IN RE: THE MARRIAGE OF

Petitioner: SHEENA WISE 5019 N Santa Monica Blvd Whitefish WI 53217 and JAVON WISE 7926A N 64th Ct Milwaukee WI 53223

The State of Wisconsin, To the person

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that your spouse has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you. The Petitioner which is attached states the nature and basis of the

Within 20 days of receiving the Summons, you must provide a written response, as that term is used in Ch. 802, Wis. Stats., to the Petition. The Court may reject or disregard a response that does not follow the requirements of the statues.

The response must be sent or delivered to the court at: Clerk of Court, Milwaukee County Courthouse 901 N 9th St Rm 104 Milwaukee WI 53233. County Child Support Agency: Milwaukee County Child Support Agency 901 N 9th St Room 101, Milwaukee WI 53233.

The response must also be mailed or delivered within 20 days to the petitioner at the address above.

It is recommended, but not required that you have an attorney help or represent you.

If you do not provide a proper response within 20 days, the court may grant judgment against you and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the Petition

A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future and may also be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.

Date: 9-19-2023 BY: SHEENA WISE Milwaukee WI 53206 673/11-29/12-6-13-2023

> **SUMMONS** (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 23CV7079

In the matter of the name change of: RE-BECCA LYNN CHROMAN By (Petitioner) REBECCA LYNN CHRO- NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: REBECCA LYNN CHROMAN to: RAYNARD LEO STORM Birth Certificate: REBECCA LYNN **CHROMAN** 

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit

Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wis-Judge's Name: HON. KRISTY YANG BR 47 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE JANUARY 3, 2024, TIME 10:00 A.M.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Dated: 11/9/2023 BY THE COURT: HON. KRISTY YANG Circuit Court Judge 677/11-29/12-6-13-2023 **SUMMONS** 

> (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 23CV008322

In the matter of the name change of: Najwa Imani Va'Shay Mitchell By (Petitioner) Najwa Imani Va'Shay Mit-

NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: FROM: Najwa Imani Va'Shay Mitchell TO: Naazih Mitchell Birth Certificate: Najwa Imani Va'Shay Mitchell

IT IS ORDERED

This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wis-

Judge's Name: HON. J.D. WATTS BR 15 ROOM 414 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: JANUARY 16, 2024, TIME 10:00 A.M.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Dated: 11-2-2023 BY THE COURT:

HON. J.D. WATTS Circuit Court Judge 578/11-29/12-6-13-2023

**SUMMONS** (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 23CV008832

In the matter of the name change of: YVETTE DOTSON

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: YVETTE DOTSON to: YVETTE DONELL CALLOWAY Birth Certificate: YVETTE DONELL

IT IS ORDERED

This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wis-

Judge's Name: HON. MICHAEL J HAN-RAHAN ROOM 500 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 **DATE DECEMBER 18, 2023, TIME 9:30** 

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Dated: 11-22-2023 BY THE COURT: HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN Circuit Court Judge 579/11-29/12-6-13-2023

**SUMMONS** (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 23CV008821

In the matter of the name change of: NATHANIEL DUPREE MARTINEZ-WHITE By (Petitioner) NATHANIEL DUPREE **MARTINEZ-WHITE** 

NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A Petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: NATHANIEL DUPREE MARTI-NEZ-WHITE TO: AUTUMN MARIE MARTINEZ-WHITE Birth Certificate: NATHANIEL DUP-REE MARTINEZ-WHITE

IT IS ORDERED

This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. GWEN CON-NOLLY ROOM 415 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: DECEMBER 27, 2023, TIME 10:15 A.M.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wiscon-Dated: 11-29-2023

BY THE COURT: HON. GWEN CONNOLLY Circuit Court Judge 680/11-29/12-6-13-2023 **SUMMONS** 

> (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 23CV007966

In the matter of the name change of: MAJOR TYRONE TAYLOR-PAYNE By (Petitioner) DESTINY MONET WILLIAMS NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the

PAYNE to: MAJOR DEVONTE WIL-LIAMS Birth Certificate: MAJOR TYRONE

From: MAJOR TYRONE TAYLOR-

name of the person listed above:

IT IS ORDERED

TAYLOR-PAYNE

This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Judge's Name: HON. WILLIAM SO-

SNAY ROOM 401 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE DECEMBER 14, 2023, TIME 9:30 A.M.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

Notice of this hearing shall be given by publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Dated: 10-19-2023

BY THE COURT: HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY Circuit Court Judge 682/10-25/11-1-8-2023 **SUMMONS** (PUBLICATION)

STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 23CV007967

In the matter of the name change of: BROOKLYN TACHAE' TAYLOR-By (Petitioner) DESTINY MONET WILLIAMS NOTICE IS GIVEN:

A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: BROOKLYN TACHAE' TAY-LOR-PAYNE to: BROOKLYN LY-NELLE WILLIAMS Birth Certificate: BROOKLYN TA-CHAE' TAYLOR-PAYNE

IT IS ORDERED

This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Judge's Name: HON. WILLIAM SO-

SNAY ROOM 401 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE DECEMBER 14, 2023, TIME 9:30 A.M.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: Notice of this hearing shall be given by

publication as a Class 3 notice for three (3) weeks in a row prior to the date of the hearing in the Milwaukee Community Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Dated: 10-19-2023

BY THE COURT: HON. WILLIAM SOSNAY Circuit Court Judge 580/10-25/11-1-8-2023





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