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—Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.**

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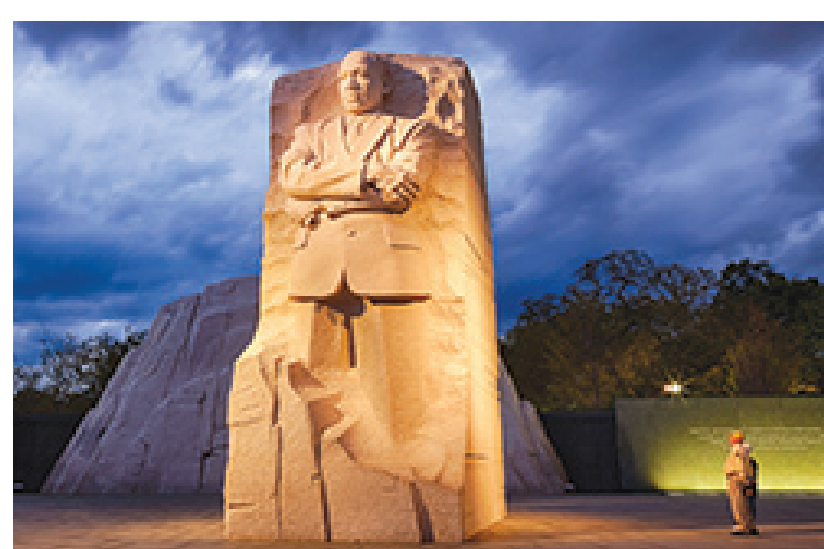
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### CELEBRATING THE "DRUM MAJOR FOR PEACE!"



## OP-ED: The Dream Cannot be Realized Without Financial Freedom

By Ben Crump

We honor Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. each January with speeches, service projects, and by reciting powerful quotes we know by heart.

But too many Black families will spend much of MLK Day the same way they spend most Mondays.

With the gas tank hovering near empty, hoping the car can go until the next paycheck arrives. With a prescription waiting at the pharmacy counter because they cannot afford the cost.

With a paycheck that has to stretch further than what seems possible.

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That question still carries weight for many. Personal freedom will not be achieved without financial freedom.

Dr. King spent the final chapter of his life pushing the country to face economic injustice. The day before he was tragically assassinated, Dr. King stood with sanitation workers in Memphis to call for economic equality.

He helped launch the Poor People's Campaign because he knew freedom hollowed out by poverty is not freedom at all. Dr. King kept pushing America to match its promises with practical pathways.

That is the part of his legacy we should sit with this MLK Day. This work has never been more important or needed. The cost of groceries, rent, and childcare have become an increased burden. And many families go from stable to scrambling with just one un-

—Photos by Yvonne Kemp

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"Reclamation, Re-Ascension, Revitalization" was the theme of the 26th Annual 'KING FEST' celebrating what would have been Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s 97 birthday.

The event was held at the Wisconsin Black Historical Society Museum. Each year this always anticipated celebration seems to grow more and more with each passing observance to inspire Black Milwaukeeans, civic officials, and youth to take the time to reflect upon the legacy of 'The Drum Major for Peace!'

The King Fest celebration was founded by Janette Mitchell-Herrera, Mileka Ajuwani, and Elizabeth Smith (Kai) 2001. It is the goal and dream of the three founders

to increase the awareness of Dr. King and his contributions not only to America, but the world.

This year's event took place as the nation goes through life altering changes in government and society at large.

King Fest goers were both celebrating and thinking of the future of democracy, freedom, and liberty, and whether or not the celebration of this civil rights icon will continue or die under the weight of authoritarian and totalitarian threats to the three aforementioned pillars of the 'American Ideal.'

Despite the threat, this years King Fest—as always—stirred and inspired self-empowerment, economic development, and the deep rooted desire to achieve the 'American Dream.'

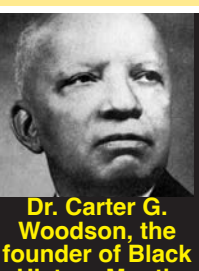
Among the dignitaries attending King

Fest this year was Democratic U.S. Rep. Jonathan Jackson, the son of Civil Rights Legend, the Rev. Jesse Jackson.

He was introduced by his congressional colleague, Wisconsin's own Congresswoman, Rep. Gwen Moore. Milwaukee County Executive and Wisconsin gubernatorial candidate David Crowley also spoke to the crowd, as did Milwaukee County Sup. Felesia Martin (who served as Mistress of Ceremony for the event), as did a host of other individuals from the fields of politics, religion, and community activism.

This year's scholarship recipients are: Maya Towns, Khyaden Ferguson (sponsored by Dana Mitchell), Isaac Menyoli (sponsored by Montreal Cain), Niko Alson and Tymarius Wrencher (both students also sponsored by Mr. Cain).

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Dr. Carter G. Woodson, the founder of Black History Month

# The Dream Cannot be Realized Without Financial Freedom

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expected expense. These realities are on display in a recent national survey commissioned by DreamFi, echoing what so many families already feel so deeply. More than one in four respondents told us they used check-cashing services in the past year. This finding makes it clear that too many households still need simpler and more accessible options for moving money.

The survey also shows how unexpected expenses impact families. Only 41% of Black respondents said they could cover a \$1,000 emergency, compared with 56% of white respondents. When a tire blows out, when a child gets sick, when hours get cut, the question is not theoretical. The question is immediate and the impact is real. We must shine a light on this struggle and work to equip families with tools to build better futures.

We must recognize Dr. King's wisdom and acknowledge that financial stability is a civil rights issue, because financial instability limits the ability to have choices. The survey also found hope that can guide how we move forward. Black families are not turning away from the idea of building stability. In fact, they are reaching for it. In the survey, 79% of Black respondents said they sought out financial education in the

past six months. Ours is a community hungry for tools and a fair shot at creating a better tomorrow. So, what does it mean to honor Dr. King right now? It means we get practical. It means we expand access to clear, trustworthy financial education that respects people's time and speaks to real solutions. It means we support savings pathways that help families prepare for emergencies before emergencies arrive.

It means we encourage options that make routine transactions easier and less costly, so a family is not paying extra simply to manage their own money. Most of all, it means we stop treating financial instability as normal. Because normal is not the same as acceptable. Dr. King asked America to make its promises real. The best way to honor him now is to provide opportunities for everyone to achieve Dr. King's dream. Ben Crump is a nationally re-

nowned civil rights attorney and founder of Ben Crump Law. Known as "Black America's attorney general," he has represented families in some of the most high-profile civil rights cases of our time, including those of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, Tyre Nichols, and Ahmaud Arbery. He is also co-founder of DreamFi, a financial empowerment platform focused on helping everyday people build stability through practical resources.

## Uneven accountability undermines opportunity for Wisconsin students

Article courtesy of Career Education Review via Career Education Colleges and Universities

Regardless of tax status, all colleges should be held accountable for their outcomes, but when that accountability is applied unevenly, it can restrict opportunity rather than protect students.

A January 9 story in the Milwaukee Community Journal discusses four new bills in Wisconsin legislature that are doing just that – applying accountability only to for-profit colleges and limiting opportunity for students.

The bills and the discussion around them badly mischaracterize for-profit colleges and their outcomes, threatening to make those schools inaccessible for the disadvantaged students most in need in Milwaukee and across the state. As quoted in the article, Dr. Quinton Cotton expressed support for the bills saying that "These are common sense bills that will help ensure students receive a quality education and that taxpayers are protected from unscrupulous businesses organized to exploit the federal financial aid system."

We join Dr. Cotton in advocating for protection of students who are exploited.

The problem is the proposed legislation assumes that only for-profit schools should face such scrutiny, when in fact those schools have substantially better outcomes in the programs that produce workers for jobs that are most in-demand.

While these bills are well-intentioned, they risk limiting access to proven workforce pathways in a state already facing critical labor shortages. Equally alarming was the rhetoric used by

supporters of the legislation, who seem unaware of the actual outcomes of the for-profit nursing schools and career colleges that educate and train the next generation of healthcare and skilled trades workers that are desperately in demand in Wisconsin and across the country.

When learning of the outcomes, those with an outdated view of for-profit schools might be surprised. By using examples of schools that went out of business years ago and then lumping together all for-profit institutions under the same assumption of misconduct, advocates for the legislation do a disservice to the many for-profit trade schools that serve students well and provide high-demand credentials to bolster Wisconsin's workforce.

Students suffer when entire categories of institutions are treated with such guilt by association, regardless of the actual academic outcomes. So, let's take a look at those outcomes according to recent data.

In comparing two-year nursing programs at for-profit, public, and non-profit colleges, researchers from the University of Texas found that two-year practical nursing (PN) and registered nursing (RN) programs at for-profit schools cost taxpayers less than those at public and private non-profit institutions.

The cost to taxpayers is nearly half for for-profit PN (\$7,150) and RN (\$4,775) programs compared to public and nonprofit PN (\$13,668) and RN (\$14,482) programs.

Not only do these for-profit nursing programs cost taxpayers significantly less, but the research also showed that students completing these programs had remarkably similar outcomes to their public and nonprofit counterparts.

The researchers cite evidence that students at for-profit career colleges are more likely to complete their credentials than students who enroll in public community colleges.

Furthermore, the study found that students who



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## Baldwin, Warnock push Trump to follow through on promise to crack down on corporate investors buying up single-family homes

Ahead of Trump speech on housing in Davos, Senators call on the President to back their bill on out-of-state investors buying up single-family homes

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Today, ahead of the President's speech in Davos in which he pledged to outline housing policies, Senators Tammy Baldwin (D-WI) and Raphael Warnock (D-GA) called on President Trump to support their bill and make good on his promise to take on large institutional investors who are buying up single-family homes.

Specifically, the Senators urged President Trump to call on Congressional Republicans to pass their Stop Predatory Investing Act, legislation that ends tax breaks for Wall Street investors who are buying single-family homes and driving up prices and locking Americans out of home ownership.

"It's Wisconsin families who should be buying homes in our neighborhoods – not big, wealthy out-of-state investors.

"For too long, big corporations and wealthy private equity firms have been allowed to 'gobble up' single-family homes just to pad their pockets,

driving up housing costs in our neighborhoods and locking families out of homeownership," said Senator Baldwin.

"President Trump should make good on his promise and get behind our plan to crack down on Wall Street using Wisconsin communities to turn a profit and make housing more affordable for families."

In a letter to President Trump, Senators Baldwin and Warnock urged President Trump to call on Congressional Republicans to immediately pass the Stop Predatory Investing Act, which would prohibit an investor who owns 50 or more single-family rental homes from deducting interest or depreciation on those properties.

The legislation comes as there have been increasing reports of out-of-state corporate investors "gobbling up" homes to rent with the sole intent of making money.




Sen. Baldwin

Sen. Warnock

In the second quarter of last year, real estate investors purchased one-third of all single-family residential properties sold, making investors the highest share of homebuyers in the past five years.

Investors often use these properties as rentals, leading to corporate landlords driving up rent prices, evicting tenants, and poorly maintaining properties from sometimes states away.

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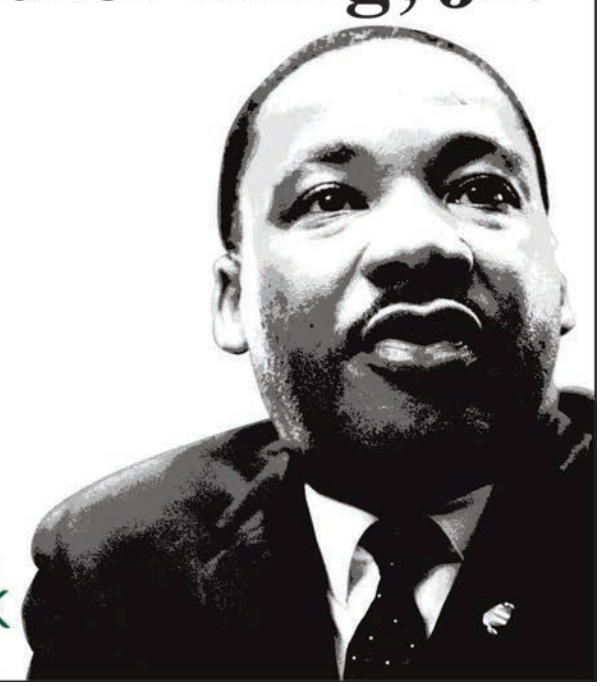
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# WHO, WHAT WHERE, WHEN

## COMING AND PAST HAPPENINGS IN AND OUTSIDE OF YOUR COMMUNITY!

### KAPPA ALPHA PSI to host Founders Day event Jan. 31

The Milwaukee Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi will host the 2026 Founders' Day celebration, complete with a reception, dinner, and keynote speaker Kevin P. Scott (pictured at right), the organization's grand historian. Kevin Scott, the fraternity's 15th grand historian since 2013, has led a range of projects to preserve and

celebrate Kappa Alpha Psi's history. The Milwaukee Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. was chartered on September 9, 1948, and is committed to community service through volunteerism and youth empowerment through the Kappa League Program that provides annual scholarships to support all levels of higher education.

The black-tie affair will take place at the Renaissance Hotel, 2300 N. Mayfair Rd, in Wauwatosa on Saturday, January 31.



### MPS KINDERGARTEN ENROLLMENT FAIRS ARE JANUARY 31 AND FEBRUARY 21

It's time for families with children turning 3, 4, or 5 by September 1, 2026, to prepare for kindergarten. The Milwaukee Public Schools Kindergarten Enrollment Fairs on January 31 and February 21 will help families find the right school for their kindergartners and enroll.

Families have many reasons to choose Milwaukee Public Schools. MPS is giving its teachers the best tools to teach students to read and is providing more art, music, and physical education, thanks to voter support. MPS also offers age-appropriate technology for students and extends learning beyond the classroom with exclusive learning journeys.

Families can choose a neighborhood school close to home or select nationally recognized arts, bilingual, language immersion, and Montessori programs.

Kindergarten enrollment for Fall 2026 will kick off with two enrollment fairs:

- Saturday, January 31, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**  
South Division High School, 1515 W. Lapham Blvd.
- Saturday, February 21, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**  
North Division High School, 1011 W. Center St.

At the fairs, families can learn about schools and programs and speak with school staff while children take part in activities. Information about transportation, before- and after-school care, how to prepare children for kindergarten, and more will be available.

Families also can visit learning stations, new at this year's fairs. The stations will highlight Montessori education, traditional kindergarten, literacy, music and more. Each station will have activities for children and information for families.

Montessori Morning will be from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at MacDowell Montessori School, 6415 W. Mount Vernon Ave.

Children can be enrolled in kindergarten for the fall anytime from January 31 to March 2, 2026. Families who fill out the enrollment form by March 2 have the best opportunity at their first-choice school.

Families can get more information about enrollment or enroll online at [mps.mke.com/enrolltoday](https://mps.mke.com/enrolltoday).



ALONZO ROBINSON, JR.

### DOCOMOMO WISCONSIN AND MILWAUKEE PUBLIC LIBRARY PRESENT, FROM THE ARCHIVES LECTURE: WISCONSIN'S FIRST BLACK ARCHITECT, ALONZO ROBINSON, JR.

Docomomo Wisconsin, in partnership with the Milwaukee Public Library (MPL) and UW-Milwaukee Cultural Resource Management (CRM), is pleased to invite the public to a special From the Archives lecture celebrating Black History Month: "Wisconsin's First Black Architect: Alonzo Robinson, Jr." The program will take place Saturday, February 14, 2026, from 2:00-3:30 PM at Milwaukee Central Library, Centennial Hall - Loos Room (733 N. Eighth Street). Admission is free and open to the public.

MPL is pleased to welcome back UWM architectural historian Justin Miller, who will explore the remarkable 40-year career of Alonzo Robinson, Jr., Wisconsin's first licensed Black architect. Robinson made profound and lasting contributions to Milwaukee's Black community and to the city as a whole, designing buildings that combined modern architectural principles with deep civic purpose.

Robinson's best-known works include Central City Plaza, recently saved from demolition through a nationally recognized preservation effort, and the Milwaukee Fire Department Administration Building, which was recently named and dedicated in recognition of his achievements. His legacy also lives on in numerous neighborhood churches, homes, businesses, and municipal buildings throughout Milwaukee, reflecting his commitment to accessible, community-centered design.

This program builds on an award-winning preservation initiative led by Docomomo Wisconsin and the Milwaukee Preservation Alliance which received a national Advocacy Citation of Merit from Docomomo US at the Modernism in America Awards 2025 for its role in preserving Central City Plaza. The project was also featured nationally this year by the National Trust for Historic Preservation, spotlighting Robinson's work and its cultural significance to Wisconsin's architectural history.

Following the lecture, Kim Robinson, son of Alonzo Robinson, Jr., will join the program for a Q&A session, offering personal insight into his father's life, work, and enduring legacy.

As part of the event, Docomomo Wisconsin will present a pop-up exhibit highlighting Robinson's architecture and the organization's ongoing advocacy for Modernist preservation across the state. Attendees will also have the rare opportunity to view original architectural drawings and materials from MPL's Archives, bringing Robinson's design process and vision into direct focus.

This From the Archives lecture is presented in collaboration with the Milwaukee Public Library, UW-Milwaukee Cultural Resource Management, AIA Milwaukee, the Wisconsin Architectural Archives, and Docomomo Wisconsin, continuing a shared commitment to inclusive storytelling, archival research, and public engagement.

For more information visit: <https://mpl.libnet.info/event/15473142>



### UNCF MAYOR'S MASKED BALL NAMES LOCAL BUSINESS LEADER AS CHAIR

Local businesses also being honored at February 7th event

Nina V.A. Johnson, a leading banking executive in Milwaukee, is the chair of the 11th Annual UNCF (United Negro College Fund) Milwaukee Mayor's Masked Ball. The event is Saturday, February 7, 2026, at 6 pm at the Pfister Hotel, 424 E. Wisconsin, Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53202. It is hosted by the Honorable Cavalier Johnson, Mayor of Milwaukee.

The Mayor's Masked Ball raises scholarship dollars for local students attending Historically Black Colleges and Universities supported by UNCF. Support is also provided to students attending non-UNCF colleges. Over the past ten years, the UNCF Mayor's Masked Ball has raised nearly \$1.6 million to support UNCF student scholarships.

Johnson is Senior Vice President Wisconsin Branch Banking Market Leader for U.S. Bank. She is responsible for all consumer sales activities in the Wisconsin

market. She has more than 40 years of banking and finance experience. She was named a "Woman of Influence" by the Milwaukee Business Journal, a "Woman of Distinction" by Milwaukee Magazine, and received a Black Excellence Award from The Milwaukee Times.

"UNCF provides tremendous support to local students through the funds raised at the UNCF Mayor's Masked Ball," said Nina Johnson. "When young people bring their talents back to Milwaukee after college, it makes our community stronger. Supporting young people today makes our community better."

Local businesses are being recognized for their commitment to UNCF and to the community at the February 7th event. SC Johnson is receiving the coveted UNCF MASKED Ball Award. MASKED is an acronym for Man-kind Assisting Students Kindle Educational Dreams. SC Johnson is a long-term supporter of UNCF and the Mayor's Masked Ball.

Gee's Clippers is being presented with the Community Award. Gee's is more than a barbershop. It is a community gathering spot that also connects the community to resources. Gee's partnerships supporting the community include Froedtert, Children's Hospital of Wisconsin, Mentor Greater Milwaukee, and the Milwaukee Bucks.

For more ticket and sponsorship information or to donate, visit [mkeunf.info](https://mkeunf.info).



# CITYWIDE KINDERGARTEN ENROLLMENT FAIRS



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## County Exec. David Crowley, MKE County Youth Commission Announce \$35,000 Microgrant for Pathfinders Youth Housing Services

Milwaukee County Executive David Crowley joined the Milwaukee County Youth Commission and community partners to announce a \$35,000 microgrant for Pathfinders Milwaukee to support youth experiencing housing instability and homelessness.

During the annual budget process, County Executive Crowley and the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors authorized the Youth Commission to allocate up to \$35,000 in funds for program proposals that align with the Commission's policy priorities. Milwaukee County's microgrant for Pathfinders Milwaukee

will support youth and young adults experiencing significant housing instability or whose families are currently homeless. Services will include housing navigation through case management to assist youth in securing transitional or permanent housing options.

The funding comes at a critical time as Pathfinders is simultaneously facing federal funding cuts and an increased demand for services. This investment supports one of Milwaukee County's priorities: addressing youth homelessness while strengthening pathways to stability for young people.

This is the Youth Commission's first microgrant through this budget allocation.

"We revived the Milwaukee County Youth Commission to give our young people a platform to turn their passion into policy and be part of shaping the decisions that impact their neighborhoods, their communities, and their lives," said County Executive Crowley. "I am proud of these young leaders for stepping up to support the important work of Pathfinders Milwaukee in ensuring our youth have access to housing resources. I encourage every eligible high school student to apply

and help drive the change they want to see. The dedication of these inspiring young people tells me the future of Milwaukee County is in good hands."

In 2022, County Executive Crowley and Chairwoman Marcelia Nicholson-Bovell co-authored a resolution to revive the Youth Commission, which was adopted unanimously by the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors. The Youth Commission works in partnership with the County Executive and County Board Chairwoman to advise policy and budgetary recommendations to the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors and advance Milwaukee County's mission of achieving equity in all measurable areas.

"Young people have the vision, enthusiasm, and leadership our communities need, and the Milwaukee County Youth Commission gives them a real seat at the table," said Chairwoman Nicholson-Bovell. "As a former Milwaukee Public Schools teacher, I'm proud to continue supporting this initiative alongside County Executive Crowley to ensure youth voices are empowered and given the opportunity to help shape the future of Milwaukee County."

This year, the Youth Commission's Governance, Finance and Evaluation Committee reviewed three project

proposals that aligned with Milwaukee County's policy areas of youth experiencing homelessness, youth wellness, and youth civic engagement. The committee unanimously recommended that the \$35,000 be allocated to Pathfinders.

"As the first recipient of the Youth Council's microgrant for Pathfinders Youth shelter services, Milwaukee County is investing in the immediate needs of runaway and homeless youth under the age of 18 years old. This funding contributes to providing safe, and stable options for preventing and ending instability for Milwaukee's young people," said DeShanda Clark, Chief Program Officer, Pathfinders Milwaukee.

The Commission's newly announced 2026 co-chairs, Sean Libal and Sarah Bruett, were instrumental in the approval process and advocated strongly for the allocation.

"Pathfinders supports and empowers youth, young adults, and

young families facing housing insecurity, which aligns with the Youth Commission's policy areas of advancing the needs of youth and improving youth homelessness in Milwaukee," said Co-Chair Sarah Bruett of District 1.

"Decisions about youth are stronger when we help make them," said Co-Chair Sean Libal of District 15.

County Executive Crowley also lifted up the importance of youth leadership and civic engagement, noting the ongoing recruitment for the 2026 Milwaukee County Youth Commission.

The Youth Commission is actively seeking students in the following districts for 2026 participation: 1, 6, 8, 15, and 17. The application deadline is January 31, 2025. To be eligible, Commissioners must reside in Milwaukee County, be between age 14-18 (as of January 1, 2026), and be actively enrolled in high school.

## Uneven accountability undermines opportunity for Wisconsin students

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earn RN credentials had similar earnings after graduation, regardless of the type of institution that they attended.

Weaponizing the tools of state government to add bureaucratic burden and limiting funding to these programs inhibits those schools' ability to provide high quality education to students, particularly underserved populations like first-generation students, students of color, female students, low-income students, and students with children of their own.

For-profit schools are providing a unique educational opportunity that is aligned with these students' desires for flexibility, part-time options, and career-focused education that leads to a job.

Recent research from Rice University evaluated healthcare programs at for-profit career colleges compared to similar programs offered at community colleges, finding that students attending the for-profit trade schools had significantly higher graduation rates and positive wage impacts than those who attended those programs at community colleges.

The results were particularly

pronounced among the most underserved populations.

The Rice University research shows that across all racial groups studied, for-profit career college students consistently outperform community college students in their graduation rates.

These four bills introduced in the State Assembly focus on for-profit accountability but ignore the high-quality education provided at many of these institutions and fail to protect students attending other types of institutions.

Legislators may be surprised to learn that, since 2022, more non-profit colleges have closed than for-profit colleges. Isolated examples of bad actors can exist in any sector of higher education.

Rather than weaponize the tools of state government against the for-profit schools that often have the best outcomes in graduating students in high-demand professions, Wisconsin lawmakers should apply fair, sector-neutral accountability measures to all institutions, ensuring that all students have access to their choice of educational setting and are protected no matter the educational path they choose.



## THE ROOTS AT BMO PAVILION ON THURSDAY, JUNE 25 DURING SUMMERFEST

Summerfest presented by American Family Insurance is excited to announce The Roots as the headliner for the BMO Pavilion with Miller Lite on Thursday, June 25,

2026. Tickets for reserved seating will go on sale Friday, January 30 at 10 a.m. via Summerfest.com, Ticketmaster.com or in person at the Summerfest

Box Office, and include admission to Summerfest the day of the performance.

Concerts at the BMO Pavilion during Summerfest will once again offer seating options for all evening headlining performances.

Fans will have the choice of reserved seats available for purchase or free general admission seating on a first-come, first-served basis on the day of the show with a Summerfest ticket.

For more information visit

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**About The Roots**  
"They are not merely the world's best hip-hop band—but one of the great musical outfits of our time." — Rolling Stone

Formed in 1987 in Philadelphia, PA, The Roots—Black Thought (MC), Ahmir "Questlove" Thompson (drums), Kamal Gray (electronic keyboards), F. Knuckles (percussion), Captain Kirk Douglas (electronic guitar), Damon Bryson (sousaphone) and James Poyser (electronic keyboard)—have become one of the best known and most respected hip-hop acts in the business.

Named one of the "50 Greatest Live Acts" by Rolling Stone, The Roots became the official house band on "The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon" where they currently perform every Monday-Friday.

*"When machines and computers, profit motives and property rights, are considered more important than people, the giant triplets of racism, extreme materialism, and militarism are incapable of being conquered."*  
— Beyond Vietnam 1967

Dr. King's words from 1967 summarize today's political moment, which we have analyzed in our report "State of the Dream 2026: From Regression to Signs of a Black Recession."

Instead of putting the lives of the average and economically insecure American first, there has been a policy embrace of mass deregulation that advances corporate profits and concentrates wealth, a slashing of government and government programs meant to advance upward economic mobility, as well as a deployment of military forces across the country, increasing distrust and tension across the population.

This historic regression corresponds with a recessionary environment for Black America.

**A Black Recession Taking Shape**  
The economic landscape for Black Americans in 2026 is troubling, with unemployment rates signaling potential recessionary conditions. By December 2025, Black unemployment reached 7.5%, a stark contrast to the national rate of 4.4%.

This disparity highlights the persistent economic inequalities faced by Black communities, exacerbated by policy shifts that have weakened the labor market.

The volatility in Black youth unemployment further underscores the precariousness of the situation, as rates fluctuated dramatically in the latter months of 2025.

**Dismantling Racial Equity Infrastructure**

The Trump administration's executive orders have systematically dismantled structures aimed at promoting racial equality. By targeting programs such as Lyndon Johnson's 1965 Equal Employment Opportunity executive order and defunding agencies like the Minority Business Development Agency, the administration has shifted federal support away from disadvantaged businesses.

As a result, Black-owned firms risk losing con-

(Original Caption) 10/30/1967-Atlanta, GA: Dr. Martin Luther King (R), his wife, and King's brother, Rev. A.D. King, answer newsmen's questions at the airport as the civil rights leader departs for Birmingham to begin serving a five-day jail sentence in connection with the 1963 demonstrations in the Alabama city.



# BEYOND RACISM, MATERIALISM, AND MILITARISM

*Dr. King's 1967 warning echoes in today's economic and political rollbacks!* BY DEDRICK ASANTE-MUHAMMAD

tracts and resources tied to federal programs, potentially leading to job losses and reduced economic growth in impacted communities.

These changes threaten billions in federal revenue for Black-owned firms and undermine efforts to move beyond racial inequality in the workforce.

The One Big Beautiful Bill Act, passed in 2025, further entrenches inequality by providing tax cuts that disproportionately benefit high-income households and corporations.

While working families gain some relief through tax credits and deductions, the act simultaneously reduces investments in programs that address pov-

erty. Specifically, cuts to Medicaid and nutrition funding, along with increased costs for state SNAP programs, limit access to essential services for low-income households, worsening the situation for marginalized communities.

**Technology Without Guardrails**

The technology sector, a critical component of the American economy, is also affected by the removal of safeguards and by the disregard of civil rights considerations.

Executive orders like "Removing Barriers to American Leadership in Artificial Intelligence" have stripped away protections that could advance inclusion in this rapidly growing field. As a result, the future of the American economy risks reinforcing past inequalities.

**A Crisis of Leadership**

Dr. King's call for strong, aggressive federal leadership in addressing racial inequality remains highly relevant.

However, instead of eradicating structures of inequality, current leadership is implementing policies that reduce government jobs and dismantle agencies responsible for preventing predatory economic practices.

These policy choices undermine longstanding efforts to combat racial and economic disparities.

**We Need Deliberate and Urgent Action**

The systematic withdrawal of protections, investments, and accountability mechanisms is reinforcing economic inequality that has grown over the past decades.

The One Big Beautiful Bill Act, through permanent tax cuts for the wealthy and diminished support for working families, exemplifies the regressive economic policies that coincide with rising Black unemployment.

As Dr. King stated, "we refuse to believe that the bank of justice is bankrupt," but urgent action is required to counteract these policy-driven trends before generational losses mount.

The State of the Dream 2026 report warns that unless we act deliberately and urgently, economic and racial inequalities will become entrenched, resulting in generational loss.



Source: Anadolu / Getty

# Minnesota Police: ICE Is Racially Profiling Civilians And Off-Duty Cops Of Color

**Law enforcement leaders say ICE has violated the civil rights of U.S. citizens, citing incidents in which they have pulled guns on off-duty police officers of color, demanding proof of citizenship.**

By Zack Linly, article courtesy of newsone.com

Here's a simple truth: ICE and Border Patrol are engaging in racial profiling.

The Trump administration, specifically the Department of Homeland Security, continues to deny that immigration cops are stopping and detaining people based on their skin color and accent, and DHS Secretary Kristi Noem has even scolded reporters for suggesting that they do, despite the fact that the Trump administration has taken legal battles all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court in order to give its agents the legal right to racially profile civilians.

Noem also recently told immigrants to keep proof of citizenship on their person at all times, indicating that they might be subject to the profiling she claims is not happening.

ICE Director Tom Homan said himself that "ICE officers and Border Patrol don't need probable cause to walk up to somebody, briefly detain them, and question them," and that "they just go through the observation...based on the location, the occupation, their

physical appearance, their accents."

According to an ICE agent, White House Chief of Staff Stephen Miller once demanded an increase in immigration arrests, asking, "Why aren't you at Home Depot?"

Why aren't you at 7-Eleven?" — a clear indication that he expected agents to go where Hispanic migrants typically work, and to identify people to detain based on their race, their occupation or the language they speak.

There's also video footage of agents approaching people at their own homes and at random businesses, telling them flat-out that they need to see proof of citizenship just "because of your accent."

Countless lawsuits have been filed against DHS, accusing agents of targeting brown people who they catch speaking anything other than English, or speaking English in a foreign accent.

But fine, if bootlicker America still doesn't believe the many plaintiffs filing many lawsuits, or the federal judges who have ruled the feds are racially profiling, or what agents say out of their own mouths, or what Trump administration officials are saying out of their own mouths, or the Supreme

Court — maybe they'll believe it if local cops say it's true.

As the Washington Post reports, local law enforcement leaders in Minneapolis and St. Paul are publicly accusing federal immigration agents of violating U.S. citizens' civil rights, citing incidents in which they have pulled guns on off-duty police officers of color, demanding that they show proof of citizenship.

Mark Bruley, police chief of the Minneapolis suburb Brooklyn Park, said at a Tuesday news conference that an off-duty police officer had been "boxed ... in" by vehicles driven by ICE agents, who demanded with guns drawn to see paperwork proving the officer had a right to be in the United States.

"She's a U.S. citizen, and clearly would not have any paperwork," he said.

The officer attempted to begin filming the interaction and her phone was knocked out of her hand, Bruley said.

When she identified herself as a police officer, the federal agents "immediately left," he said.

All of the off-duty police officers who had been targeted by ICE in his city were people of color, Bruley said.

"I wish I could tell you that

this was an isolated incident," he said, adding, "if it is happening to our officers, it pains me to think how many of our community members are falling victim to this every day."

Dawanna Witt, sheriff of Hennepin County, which includes Minneapolis, said that people were being "stopped, questioned and harassed solely because of the color of their skin" and that the behavior of federal agents was eroding trust in law enforcement.

"We demand lawful policing that respects human dignity," she said, adding that the surge of ICE agents in Minneapolis was impacting local officers as well as the community. "We will all continue to show up, even though times are hard, even though our law enforcement is exhausted."

St. Paul Police Chief Axel Henry said that city employees

had been subject to "traffic stops that were clearly outside the bounds of what federal agents are allowed to do."

These are the highest-ranking officers in multiple police departments, saying explicitly that the racial profiling is happening and it's happening routinely.

Granted, one could argue that local cops are just salty because the feds are jacking their steez — like, "If anyone is going to racially profile my citizens, it's going to be me" — but that's another story for another day.

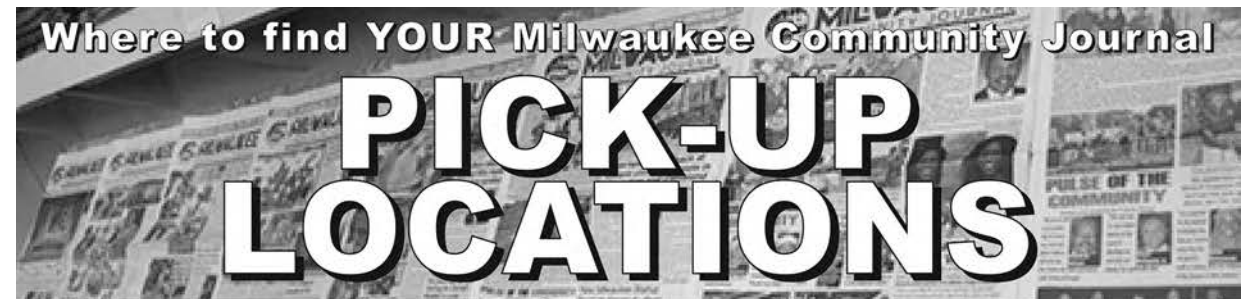
At this point, it's not even clear why the Trump administration still denies that its agents are racially profiling, or that racism is at the heart of President Donald Trump's mass deportation agenda, for that matter.

As I wrote previously, "The

president is outright casting aspersions on entire ethnic groups while making it explicitly clear he only wants white immigrants in the U.S." If this administration is going to continue to make it so painfully obvious that it is a white supremacist organization, why continue to be in denial when it's being accused of doing white supremacist things?

Just be the loud and proud white nationalists that you demonstrably are. MAGA, amirite?

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# LEGALS/CLASSIFIEDS

**SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 26CV000051**

In the matter of the name change of: ALBERTO CARRILLO

By (Petitioner) ALBERTO CARRILLO

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: FROM: ALBERTO CARRILLO to: AMARA CARRILLO Birth Certificate: ALBERTO CARRILLO

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. GLENN H YAMAHIRO RM 412 PLACE 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE FEBRUARY 12, 2026, TIME 2:00 P.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: 1-5-2026

BY THE COURT: HON. GLENN Y YAMAHIRO Circuit Court Judge 003/1-7-14-21-2026

**SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 25CV010130**

In the matter of the name change of: GIADA MANE BAROS

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: FROM: GIADA MANE BAROS to: ASLAN SCOTT BAROS Birth Certificate: GIADA MANE BAROS

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. REYNA MORALES ROOM 402 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: FEBRUARY 11, 2026, TIME 1:30 P.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: 11-24-2025

BY THE COURT: HON. REYNA MORALES Circuit Court Judge 001/1-7-14-21-2026

**SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 26CV000063**

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF: DENISE LYNN TORRES

By (Petitioner) DENISE LYNN TORRES

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: FROM: DENISE LYNN TORRES TO: DENISE LYNN ATCHISON Birth Certificate: DENISE LYNN ATCHISON

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. WILLIAM POCAN RM #401 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: FEBRUARY 26, 2026, 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: 1-5-2026

BY THE COURT: HON. WILLIAM POCAN Circuit Court Judge 006/1-7-14-21-2026

**SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR**

**NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 25CV010420**

In the matter of the name change of: IDRIS AMON BURTON

By (Petitioner) AHVEON GAREL SMITH

By (Co-Petitioner) TREVON LADEU LIGGINS JR

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A Petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: From: IDRIS AMON BURTON to: TREMON NICOLAS LIGGINS Birth Certificate: IDRIS AMON BURTON

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. TIMOTHY WITKOWIAK RM 415 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: JANUARY 30, 2026, TIME 10:30 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: 12-12-2025

BY THE COURT: HON. TIMOTHY WITKOWIAK Circuit Court Judge 007/1-7-14-21-2026

**SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 2025CV009927**

In the matter of the name change of: KHOLOUD AHMAD BAYD

By (Petitioner) KHOLOUD AHMAD BAYD

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: FROM: KHOLOUD AHMAD BAYD to: KHOLOUD AHMAD NAKCHBNDI Birth Certificate: KHOLOUD AHMAD NAKCHBNDI

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. CYNTHIA DAVIS RM 208 PLACE 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE JANUARY 29, 2026 TIME 11:00 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: 12-17-2025

BY THE COURT: HON. CYNTHIA DAVIS Circuit Court Judge 002/1-7-14-21-2026

**SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 25CV010915**

In the matter of the name change of: NICOLE RENEE BULANDA

By (Petitioner) NICOLE RENEE BULANDA

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: FROM: NICOLE RENEE BULANDA to: NICOLE RENEE DECAMP Birth Certificate: NICOLE RENEE DECAMP

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. JEAN M KIES RM 413 PLACE 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: FEBRUARY 10, 2026, TIME 9:00 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: 12-22-2025

BY THE COURT: HON. JEAN M KIES Circuit Court Judge 008/1-7-14-21-2026

**SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 25CV010982**

In the matter of the name change of: ABIGAIL YVONNE LADOUA

By (Petitioner) ABIGAIL YVONNE LADOUA

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: FROM: ABIGAIL YVONNE LADOUA to: NENA YVONNE LAWRENCE Birth Certificate: ABIGAIL YVONNE LADOUA

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. JEAN M KIES RM 413 PLACE 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: FEBRUARY 11, 2026, 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: 12-24-2025

BY THE COURT: HON. JEAN M KIES Circuit Court Judge 009/1-7-14-21-2026

**SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTYNE NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 25CV009130**

In the matter of the name change of: HAILEY GRACE BOONE

By (Petitioner) HAILEY GRACE BOONE

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: FROM: HAILEY GRACE BOONE to: HAILEY GRACE COREY Birth Certificate: HAILEY GRACE BOONE

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. GLENN H YAMAHIRO RM 412 PLACE 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE FEBRUARY 11, 2026, 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: 1-7-2026

BY THE COURT: HON. GLENN Y YAMAHIRO Circuit Court Judge 010/10-29/1-7-14-21-2026

**SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 25CV11017**

In the matter of the name change of: KADEIDRA SAMONE PAGE

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: FROM: KADEIDRA SAMONE PAGE to: KADEIDRA SAMONE HAYES Birth Certificate: KADEIDRA SAMONE HAYES

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN ROOM 500 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: FEBRUARY 2, 2026, 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: 12-29-2025

BY THE COURT: HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN Circuit Court Judge 011/1-14-21-28-2026

**SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTYNE NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 25CV000130**

In the matter of the name change of: HAILEY GRACE BOONE

By (Petitioner) HAILEY GRACE BOONE

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: FROM: HAILEY GRACE BOONE to: HAILEY GRACE COREY Birth Certificate: HAILEY GRACE BOONE

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. GLENN H YAMAHIRO RM 412 PLACE 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE FEBRUARY 11, 2026, 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: 1-7-2026

BY THE COURT: HON. GLENN Y YAMAHIRO Circuit Court Judge 010/1-7-14-21-2026

**SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 25CV010412**

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF: BRENDAN JAMES SAYRE

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: FROM: BRENDAN JAMES SAYRE TO: BRENDAN JAMES COOK Birth Certificate: BRENDAN JAMES SAYRE

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. WILLIAM POCAN RM #401 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: FEBRUARY 24, 2026, TIME 10:30 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: 12-5-2025

BY THE COURT: HON. WILLIAM POCAN Circuit Court Judge 013/1-14-21-28-2026

**SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 25CV011023**

In the matter of the name change of: KANEISHA LAKAY ROBINSON

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: FROM: KANEISHA LAKAY ROBINSON to: LUN'NAYAH GRACE CHAMPION Birth Certificate: KANEISHA LAKAY SPIGHT

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. THOMAS J MCADAMS RM 404 PLACE 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE FEBRUARY 16, 2026, TIME 3:00 P.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: 12-29-2025

BY THE COURT: HON. THOMAS J MCADAMS Circuit Court Judge 012/1-14-21-28-2026

**SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY DIVORCE - 40101 Case No. 25FA005867**

In Re: The marriage of Petitioner: IRENE JAIME and Respondent: JOSE A JIMENEZ GARCIA

THE STATE OF WISCONSIN, TO THE PERSON NAMED ABOVE AS RESPONDENT: You are notified that the petitioner named above has filed an Order to Show Cause for Contempt against you.

You must respond with a written de-

mand for a copy of the Order within 40 days from the day after the first day of publication.

The demand must be sent or delivered to the court at: Clerk of Court, Milwaukee County Courthouse 901 N 9th St Room 104 Milwaukee WI 53233 and to IRENE JAIME 3415 S 1st St Milwaukee WI 53207

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

If you do not demand a copy of the Petition within 40 days, the court may grant judgment against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the Petition, 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 awarding money 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.

You are further notified that if the parties to this action have minor children, violation of 948.31 Wis. Stats., (Interference with custody by parent or others) is punishable by fines and/or imprisonment:

If you and the petitioner have minor children, documents setting forth the percentage standard for child support established by the department under 49.22(9), Wis. Stats., and the factors that a court may consider for modification of that standard under 767.511 (1m). Wis Stats. are available upon your request from the Clerk of Court.

You are notified of the availability of information from the Circuit Court Commissioner as set forth in 767.105 Wis. Stats.

Date: 12-24-2025

By: IRENE JAIME

015/12-24-31-2025/1-7-2026

**SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 26CV000134**

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME CHANGE OF: ISABEL MARTINA-ESTRELLA RESENDEZ

NOTICE IS GIVEN: A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above: FROM: ISABEL MARTINA-ESTRELLA RESENDEZ TO: ISABEL ESTRELLA JIMENEZ Birth Certificate: ISABEL MARTINA-ESTRELLA RESENDEZ

IT IS ORDERED This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin. Judge's Name: HON. WILLIAM POCAN RM #401 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: FEBRUARY 27, 2026, TIME

11:00 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: 1-7-2026

BY THE COURT: HON. WILLIAM POCAN Circuit Court Judge 016/1-21-28/2-4-2026

**STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY (SMALL CLAIMS) PUBLICATION SUMMONS AND NOTICE Case No. 25SC030255**

Plaintiff(s) MAUNG BU KHAING 3378 N 22nd St Milwaukee WI 53206 vs Defendant(s) NAI NAI HTUN 1324 Jefferson Ave Sheboygan WI 53081 Publication Summons and Notice of Filing TO THE PERSON(S) NAMED ABOVE AS DEFENDANT(S): You are being sued by the person(s) as named above Plaintiff(s). A copy of the claim has been sent to you #3at your address as stated in the caption above. The lawsuit will be heard in the following Small Claims Court: Milwaukee County Courthouse Telephone Number of Clerk of Court: 414-278-5362 Courtroom/ Room Number 400 Address: 901 N 9TH Street City: 53233 Milwaukee State WI Zip 53233 on the following date and time: Date: FEBUARY 28, 2026, Time: 8:30 A.M

If you do not attend the hearing, the court may enter a judgment against you in favor of the person(s) suing you. A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above. A judgement may be enforced as provided by law. A judgement awarding money may become a lien against any real estate (property) you own now or in the future and may also be enforced by garnishment of seizure of property.

You may have the option to Answer without appearing in court on the court date by filing a written Answer with the clerk of court before the court date. You must send a copy of your Answer to the Plaintiff(s) named above at their address. You may contact the clerk of court at the telephone number above to determine if there are other methods to answer a Small Claims complaint in that court.

Date: 1/19-2026

Plaintiff/Attorney MAUNG BU KHAING 017/1-21-2026

11:00 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: 1-7-2026

BY THE COURT: HON. WILLIAM POCAN Circuit Court Judge 016/1-21-28/2-4-2026

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Date: 12-24-2025

By: IRENE JAIME

015/12-24-31-2025/1-7-2026

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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 POCAN RM #401 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233 DATE: FEBRUARY 27, 2026, TIME

11:00 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: 1-7-2026

BY THE COURT: HON. WILLIAM POCAN Circuit Court Judge 016/1-21-28/2-4-2026

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Plaintiff(s) MAUNG BU KHAING 3378 N 22nd St Milwaukee WI 53206 vs Defendant(s) NAI NAI HTUN 1324 Jefferson Ave Sheboygan WI 53081 Publication Summons and Notice of Filing TO THE PERSON(S) NAMED ABOVE AS DEFENDANT(S): You are being sued by the person(s) as named above Plaintiff(s). A copy of the claim has been sent to you #3at your address as stated in the caption above. The lawsuit will be heard in the following Small Claims Court: Milwaukee County Courthouse Telephone Number of Clerk of Court: 414-278-5362 Courtroom/ Room Number 400 Address: 901 N 9TH Street City: 53233 Milwaukee State WI Zip 53233 on the following date and time: Date: FEBUARY 28, 2026, Time: 8:30 A.M

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Date: 1/19-2026

Plaintiff/Attorney MAUNG BU KHAING 017/1-21-2026

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**A pre-bid walkthrough for the site will be held on Thursday, January 15, 2026 at 10:30 AM,** walkthrough to begin at Cass Street K-8 School, 1647 N. Cass Street.

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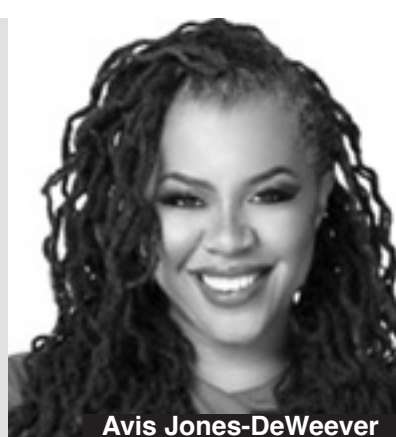
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01-08-26

# Avis Jones-DeWeever Rebukes Trump's 'Reverse Discrimination' Claim: 'There's a Reason Why They Want to Erase our History'

By Gee NY, article courtesy of newsbreak.com

Political commentator and communications strategist Avis Jones-DeWeever has forcefully pushed back against President Donald Trump's recent claim that civil rights-era policies "hurt" White Americans. The activist is calling the pres-



Avis Jones-DeWeever

ident's narrative historically false and dangerous as debates over race, education, and voting rights intensify across the United States.

In a video shared on Instagram, Jones-DeWeever criticized what she described as deliberate ef-

forts to erase or distort Black history, particularly the long struggle for civil rights in America.

Her remarks came in response to Trump's assertion in a recent interview that White people were "very badly treated" by civil rights laws designed to address racial discrimination.

During the video, Jones-DeWeever outlined the historical timeline of Black oppression and resistance in the United States, noting that roughly 250 years of enslavement were followed by only brief periods of expanded rights.

She cited Reconstruction, Jim Crow segregation, and limited windows of civil rights progress

before legal and political rollbacks began to take hold.

"If you were to add it all together," she said, "we have only experienced about 25 years of so-called freedom in this country after being here for 400 years."

Jones-DeWeever argued that the gains made during the Civil Rights Movement, particularly following the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Voting Rights Act of 1965, have been steadily undermined through court rulings and legislative actions, especially in the years following the election of former President Barack Obama.

Her comments directly counter Trump's recent take on civil

rights protections, which he describes as "reverse discrimination."

In his interview with the New York Times, Trump claimed that while the Civil Rights Act achieved "some very wonderful things," it also prevented some White Americans from accessing jobs or college admissions, describing the outcome as unfair.

Trump has repeatedly leaned on the idea of reverse discrimination throughout his political career, a theme that has shaped his second-term agenda to dismantle diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) initiatives across federal agencies and influence similar rollbacks in the private sector.

Jones-DeWeever warned that such rhetoric obscures the reality of systemic inequality and minimizes the sacrifices made to secure basic rights.

"I'm not willing to wait another 80 years for them to get it right," she said, calling instead for strategic and immediate action to protect and expand civil rights protections.

Her remarks have resonated widely on social media, where supporters say they reflect growing concern that historical revisionism is being used to justify policy decisions that roll back decades of progress on racial equality.

## SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 26CV000171

In the matter of the name change of: DARIANA DEJESUS PEREZ  
By (Petitioner) DARIANA DEJESUS PEREZ

NOTICE IS GIVEN:  
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:  
FROM: DARIANA DEJESUS PEREZ TO: DARIANA DEJESUS PEREZ VAZQUEZ  
Birth Certificate: DARIANA DEJESUS PEREZ

IT IS ORDERED  
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.  
Judge's Name: HON. J.D. WATTS BR 15 ROOM 414 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233  
DATE: FEBRUARY 24, 2026, TIME 10:30 P.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: 1-8-2026  
BY THE COURT:  
HON. J.D. WATTS  
Circuit Court Judge  
020/1-21-28/2-4-2026

## SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 26CV000293

In the matter of the name change of: BRAYDEN JULIAN FELS

NOTICE IS GIVEN:  
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:  
From: BRAYDEN JULIAN FELS to: BRAYDEN JULIAN VEGA  
Birth Certificate: BRAYDEN JULIAN FELS

IT IS ORDERED  
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.  
Judge's Name: HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN ROOM 500 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233  
DATE: MARCH 2, 2026, TIME 11:00 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: 1-20-2026  
BY THE COURT:  
HON. MICHAEL J HANRAHAN  
Circuit Court Judge  
021/1-21-28/2-4-2026

## SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 26CV000455

IN THE MATTER OF THE NAME

## CHANGE OF: NATHANAEL CARLTON ROBINSON-VERNER II

NOTICE IS GIVEN:  
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:  
FROM: NATHANAEL CARLTON ROBINSON-VERNER II TO: XECHT-NA'LAHAHN XEGONUUDA VERNER  
Birth Certificate: NATHANAEL CARLTON ROBINSON-VERNER II

IT IS ORDERED  
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.  
Judge's Name: HON. WILLIAM POCAN RM #401 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233  
DATE: MARCH 3, 2026, TIME 9:00 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: 1-20-2026  
BY THE COURT:  
HON. WILLIAM POCAN  
Circuit Court Judge  
019/1-21-28/2-4-2026

## SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 25CV010677

In the matter of the name change of: LYFE ARMANI JOHNSON  
By (Petitioner) CHANTEL MONIQUE AGREW

NOTICE IS GIVEN:  
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:  
From: LYFE ARMANI JOHNSON to: LYFE ARMANI JORDAN  
Birth Certificate: LYFE ARMANI JOHNSON

IT IS ORDERED  
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.  
Judge's Name: HON. GLENN H YAMAHIRO RM 412 PLACE 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233  
DATE FEBRUARY 6, 2026, 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: 12-15-2025  
BY THE COURT:  
HON. GLENN Y YAMAHIRO  
Circuit Court Judge  
018/1-21-28/2-4-2026

## STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY (SMALL CLAIMS) PUBLICATION SUMMONS AND NOTICE Case No. 25SC029016

Plaintiff(s) THERESA ANN WOOLDRIDGE 1380 W Southfield Blvd #202 Oak Creek WI 53154 vs Defendant(s) TARA NOLAN 4414 N Oakland Ave 210J Shorewood WI 53211  
Publication Summons and Notice of Filing

TO THE PERSON(S) NAMED

ABOVE AS DEFENDANT(S):  
You are being sued by the person(s) as named above Plaintiff(s). A copy of the claim has been sent to you #3at your address as stated in the caption above. The lawsuit will be heard in the following Small Claims court: Milwaukee County Courthouse Telephone Number of Clerk of Court: 414-278-5362 Courtroom/ Room Number 400 Address: 901 N 9TH Street City: 53233 Milwaukee State WI Zip 53233 on the following date and time: Date: FEBRUARY 2, 2026, Time: 8:30 A.M

If you do not attend the hearing, the court may enter a judgment against you in favor of the person(s) suing you. A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above. A judgement may be enforced as provided by law. A judgement awarding money may become a lien against any real estate (property) you own now or in the future and may also be enforced by garnishment of seizure of property.

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Date: 1/21/2026  
Plaintiff/Attorney  
THERESA ANN WOOLDRIDGE  
022/1-21-2026

## SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 26CV000492

In the matter of the name change of: ALEXANDER WILLIAM PODD  
NOTICE IS GIVEN:  
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:  
FROM: ALEXANDER WILLIAM PODD TO: ALEXANDER WILLIAM MCMANUS  
Birth Certificate: ALEXANDER WILLIAM PODD

IT IS ORDERED  
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.  
Judge's Name: HON. J.D. WATTS BR 15 ROOM 414 PLACE: 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233  
DATE: MARCH 17, 2026, 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: 1-21-2026  
BY THE COURT:  
HON. J.D. WATTS  
Circuit Court Judge  
025/1-21-28/2-4-2026

## STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY (SMALL CLAIMS) PUBLICATION SUMMONS AND NOTICE Case No. 25SC033731

Plaintiff(s) JAURITAN CONNER 3872 N 38th Street Milwaukee WI 53216 vs Defendant(s) PAUL LESZCZYNSKI 2743 N Mayfair Ct Wauwatosa WI 53222  
Publication Summons and Notice of Filing

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TO THE PERSON(S) NAMED  
ABOVE AS DEFENDANT(S):  
You are being sued by the person(s) as named above Plaintiff(s). A copy of the claim has been sent to you #3at your address as stated in the caption above. The lawsuit will be heard in the following Small Claims court: Milwaukee County Courthouse Telephone Number of Clerk of Court: 414-278-5362 Courtroom/ Room Number 400 Address: 901 N 9TH Street City: 53233 Milwaukee State WI Zip 53233 on the following date and time: Date: FEBRUARY 9, 2026, Time: 8:30 A.M

If you do not attend the hearing, the court may enter a judgment against you in favor of the person(s) suing you. A copy of the claim has been sent to you at your address as stated in the caption above. A judgement may be enforced as provided by law. A judgement awarding money may become a lien against any real estate (property) you own now or in the future and may also be enforced by garnishment of seizure of property.

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Date: 1/21/2026  
Plaintiff/Attorney  
JAURITAN CONNER  
026/1-21-2026

## SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 26CV000467

In the matter of the name change of: OSCAR EDDIED COLON SANABRIA

NOTICE IS GIVEN:  
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:  
From: OSCAR EDDIED COLON SANABRIA to: OSCAR EDDIED DEJESUS SANABRIA  
Birth Certificate: OSCAR EDDIED COLON SANABRIA

IT IS ORDERED  
This petition will be heard in the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.  
Judge's Name: HON. GLENN H YAMAHIRO RM 412 PLACE 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53233  
DATE FEBRUARY 26, 2026, TIME 1:30 P.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 Com-

munity Journal, a newspaper published in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.

Dated: 1-20-2026  
BY THE COURT:  
HON. GLENN Y YAMAHIRO  
Circuit Court Judge  
024/1-21-28/2-4-2026

## SUMMONS (PUBLICATION) STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT MILWAUKEE COUNTY NOTICE AND ORDER FOR NAME CHANGE HEARING Case No. 26CV000203

In the matter of the name change of: MARILICIA ALEJANDRA ROSE RADFORD  
By (Petitioner) VANESSA MARIE PEÑA  
By (Co-Petitioner) DYLAN THOMAS RADFORD

NOTICE IS GIVEN:  
A petition was filed asking to change the name of the person listed above:  
From: MARILICIA ALEJANDRA ROSE RADFORD to: MARILICIA

Our son, **Kymier Anthony Diallo**, born on **July 23, 2025**, is formally accepted and recognized as a beneficial heir to my estate. All my assets, properties, and belongings will pass to him upon my passing. He should not be taken from me, as that would harm my estate, and if that happens, I will be seeking Equitable damages. This notice affirms my rightful claim as a private American /guardian, parent of my son. **Roy Gene, Dunbar and Erica Young** are pleased to announce the birth of our son. We now ingress within the nation Wisconsin republic [Union] country at Milwaukee of the United States of North America, I am the **living grantor** to the office of "**Roy Gene Dunbar Living Estate Trust.**" Dated this 19th day of December 2025  
616/12-24-2025

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Signed: Patricia O'Flynn Pattillo, President/Publisher

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### WHAT DOES THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION'S 'MILK BILL' MEAN FOR BLACK CHILDREN?

*For Black people, milk has always been bound up with power, race, whose bodies are valued, and whose children are expected to thrive.*

Dr. Stacey Patton, article courtesy of [newsone.com](https://newsone.com)

When the Trump administration signed the so-called “Whole Milk for Healthy Kids Act,” the mainstream media conversation remained narrowly focused on debates over fat content, calories, dairy farmers, and school lunch menus.

But for Black people, milk has never been just . . . milk. It has always been bound up with power, race, whose bodies are valued, and whose children are expected to thrive.

To understand why this moment feels so loaded, you have to go all the way back to the plantation.

Under slavery, Black women’s bodies were turned into infrastructure for white survival. Enslaved mothers were routinely forced to serve as wet nurses, breastfeeding the children of enslavers while their own babies went hungry, were weaned too early, or were left to die. Their milk, literally the substance meant to sustain Black life, was extracted to nourish white life instead. That meant future white supremacists, slavers, and lynchers were suckled at Black breasts, while Black infants paid the cost in malnutrition, illness, and death.

This was an early form of American biopolitics, in which the state and the plantation decided whose bodies would be supported and whose would be depleted. Black motherhood was exploited to strengthen white childhood and the future of the white race, while Black children were rendered disposable.

By the 19th century, the politics of milk became a

full-blown public health crisis. In Northern cities, the so-called “milk problem” referred to contaminated, watered-down, diseased cow’s milk sold to the poor. Infant mortality rates soared. But as with everything else, the response was racialized. Reformers and pediatricians focused their concern, resources, and “pure milk” campaigns on saving white babies. Black infants who were forced into crowded, segregated neighborhoods, denied clean water, refrigeration, and medical care, continued to die at disproportionate rates. Their deaths were treated as tragic but inevitable and explained away as a reflection of “ignorance” and “backwardness” rather than state neglect.

At the same time, racist imagery flooded American culture: the Black “mammy” holding a plump white baby, the loyal wet nurse whose milk and love were imagined as natural resources for white families. Milk became a symbol of civilization and purity. Whiteness was associated with clean, wholesome nourishment. Blackness was associated with dirt, deficiency, and biological lack.

Fast-forward to the 20th century, and school lunch programs emerged. On the surface, they were about child welfare. In practice, they reproduced inequality. Segregated schools received inferior food, outdated kitchens, and smaller budgets. Federal nutrition standards were built around European dietary norms, with cow’s milk at the center, even though large segments of the population, particularly Black, Indigenous, Asian, and Latino children, were and are lactose intolerant.

That biological fact matters in this conversation.

Lactose intolerance is not a defect. It is a normal human variation, especially common among people whose ancestral diets did not center on dairy. Today, most Black children, many Latino children, most Indigenous children, and a majority of Asian children do not digest cow’s milk easily. Bloating, stomach pain, inflammation, diarrhea, and nausea are routine outcomes when these bodies are forced to treat dairy as a staple.

And here’s the demographic reality: children of color are now the majority of children in the United States. By 2045, people of color will be the majority of the entire population. The future of this country is not lactose-tolerant by default.

So what does it mean, in this context, for a federal government to re-center whole cow’s milk as the symbolic and nutritional anchor of “healthy childhood”?

It means reasserting a white European digestive norm as universal. It means treating whiteness as the biological baseline. And it means asking the nation’s actual future to adapt, endure discomfort, or be marked as “problem bodies” to fit a standard never designed for them.

This is happening against the backdrop of food apartheid in Black America. In many Black neighborhoods, full-service grocery stores are miles away. Public transportation is unreliable. Fresh produce is expensive. Ultra-processed foods are cheap and omnipresent. Schools are often the most consistent source of daily nutrition for children, yet those same schools are underfunded, overcrowded, and subject to policy whiplash driven by political ideology rather than community health.

The result is a landscape shaped by structural, not personal, factors like higher rates of childhood obesity, asthma, diabetes, and other chronic conditions rooted in environmental racism, zoning decisions, and economic abandonment. These are not failures of individual families. They are the predictable outcomes of a system that has never prioritized Black children’s well-being.

And yet, in the face of poisoned water in places like Flint, Mich., and Jackson, Miss., in the face of crumbling school infrastructure, in the face of children whose biggest nutritional crisis is food insecurity itself, this administration chose to make milk a political centerpiece.

Why? Milk has always been deeply racial. It has long been coded as white, pastoral, wholesome, “natural,” and civilizational. It is bound up with images of the sturdy white farm child, the white nuclear family, the myth of white biological strength and moral purity. In far-right and white-nationalist subcultures, milk has even become an explicit symbol of whiteness and supposed genetic superiority.

Layer that symbolism onto an administration and a political movement obsessed with falling white birth rates and being “outnumbered” by non-whites, openly invoking “replacement” and “civilizational decline.” Listen to the language around the bill: “real food,” “traditional nourishment,” “strong growth,” “healthy development.” All of these echo older eugenic and racial-fitness narratives. It is about vitality and about who is imagined as the future stock of the nation.

Meanwhile, the actual children who will make up that future, disproportionately Black, Latino, Indigenous, and Asian, are the very ones most likely to experience discomfort and exclusion under a dairy-centric standard.

This is how policy becomes symbolic violence. Not through overt declarations of racial hierarchy, but through the quiet normalization of whose bodies are “standard” and whose are “deviations;” through whose biology is designed around and whose is expected to conform.

History has come full circle again.

Once, Black women’s milk was extracted to nourish white children while Black babies were deprived. Now, a white-coded nutritional norm is elevated in a school system where Black and Brown children are the majority, even when their bodies are less able to tolerate it. Then as now, the question is the same: whose future is being fed, and whose is being risked?

This is not to say that whole milk has no nutrients, or that dairy farmers do not matter, or that dietary science is simple. It is to say that in a nation built on racial hierarchy, no policy about children’s bodies is ever just technical or neutral. Food is power. Nutrition is governance. Childhood is always a political project.

When a government that polices reproduction, fears demographic change, and flirts with white nationalist mythology decides to symbolically center milk, of all things, as the marker of “healthy kids,” Black people must pause and listen to the deeper frequencies.

Because we remember when our bodies were literally used to sustain a future that was never meant to include us as equals. We remember when our children’s hunger was treated as collateral damage. We remember when “science” and “health” were invoked to naturalize inequality.

The question, then, is not simply what kind of milk will be poured into school cartons. The question is what vision of the nation is being nourished, and what vision of Black childhood is being quietly written out of the frame.

*Dr. Stacey Patton is an award-winning journalist and author of “Spare The Kids: Why Whupping Children Won’t Save Black America” and the forthcoming “Strung Up: The Lynching of Black Children In Jim Crow America.” Read her Substack here.*

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