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Mayor Parker appoints commissioner to Houston Housing Authority, marks departing commissioner's service
Health care provider, housing resident joins agency's leadership ranks

HOUSTON—Mayor Annise Parker has appointed a Houston Housing Authority resident and health care provider for seniors to the agency's Board of Commissioners as Reverend Myron Cloyd departs the board.

Phillis Wilson was appointed by Mayor Parker to serve a term ending January 31, 2013. Wilson is a resident of the Housing Authority's Oxford Place community and works as a health care provider for Tobi Home Health, where she assists seniors.

Wilson helped establish an after school tutorial program for children as a member of the Oxford Place Resident Council. "We want to avoid seeing the same students repeating summer school year after year," said Wilson. "I don't want to see any child fail," Wilson said, adding that she believes children need mentors.

Wilson helps with Oxford Place's summer lunch program, and along with her fellow resident council members has worked to establish movie nights for Oxford Place children in an effort to provide positive entertainment options for youngsters.

"The insight [Rev. Cloyd] provided to the city while serving as a member of the Houston Housing Authority Board of Commissioners was invaluable," said Mayor Parker.

The Housing Authority is governed by a Board of Commissioners that sets policy and provides leadership to enable the agency to serve thousands of families, elderly and other individuals in need.

"Mayor Parker has appointed a resident commissioner who has shown deep commitment to improving the lives of Housing Authority residents," said David Minberg, chair of the Board of Commissioners. "The board looks forward to working with Commissioner Wilson as we say good-bye and thank you to Commissioner Cloyd. I've enjoyed working with Reverend Cloyd and the board benefited greatly from his intellect and perspective."

The Houston Housing Authority provides affordable homes and services to more than 55,000 people throughout Houston. The agency and its affiliates own and operate 25 housing communities with about 5,500 units for families, elderly and other residents. More information about HHA can be found at www.housingforhouston.com.

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