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ships in the African American Community" (2013)—ignited a national conversation about identity and love and relationships in the 21st Century. In addition, Robertson has been a regular contributor to *The African American Almanac* (Gale Press). Accolades for his work include "Pick of the Week" selection by Publisher's Weekly for "Family Affair" and NAACP Image Award nominations for "Not in My Family" and "Family Affair".

His latest offering is "Book of Black Heroes: Political Leaders Past & Present" from Just Us Books. The opus represents a full-circle moment for Gil, who began the first phase of his career in politics. This collection of biographies on game-changing elected political leaders like former President Barack Obama, pioneering Los Angeles mayor Tom Bradley, current U.S. Senator Kamala Harris and Reconstruction era governor Pinckney Benton Stewart Pinchbank is intended to introduce young readers especially to not only dynamic personalities but to the concept of individual and



Writer/author Gil L. Robertson

political leadership.

Never one to sit on the sidelines of any pressing issue, in 2003, Gil rolled up his sleeves and got to work as the co-founder of the African American Film Critics Association (AAFCA), the largest collection of Black film critics in North America. As the organization's president, he oversees the annual AAFCA Awards, which has become a recognized fixture of the Hollywood awards season.

He is also an ambassador for diversity within the industry, appearing on numerous shows on networks like CNN.

Kam Williams: Hi Gil, thanks for the interview.

Gil Robertson: Thanks, Kam. It's always a pleasure speaking with you.

KW: What inspired you to write *Book of Black Heroes*?

GR: Following Obama's election, I was astonished to discover how little most people knew

about the contributions of African Americans in politics. When most people think of Blacks in U.S. politics, they usually fall back on the same group of leaders who came into prominence during the Civil Rights Movement. So I wanted to do my part in expanding people's level of awareness of Black people who have been active participants in national politics since Reconstruction, and that their contributions continue to this day. Black political leaders make enormous contributions to the quality of our lives, and I simply wanted to provide readers with an introduction to who these people are and, as a by-product, stimulate aspirations among young people to consider a career path in political leadership.

KW: Who's your intended audience?

GR: People who are curious about contributions that African Americans have made to the political and social landscape in America. This book offers an amazing tapestry of leaders, both past and present, who have fascinating back stories, but who all

stepped up to the challenges of leadership.

KW: What's the appropriate age group for the book?

GR: The target age group for *Book of Black*

Heroes are young adult readers in the 10 - 14 age group. But I believe it will have an appeal to all teen readers and even adults. Readers will discover political leaders that they've never heard

of who are creating great opportunities both within black communities and beyond.

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COMMUNITY TRANSIT PUBLIC NOTICE

DBE GOALS

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the US Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration, 49 CFR Part 26, that Community Transit has developed a proposed goal of four point seven (4.7) percent for Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) participation for federal fiscal years 2018 - 2020.

Individuals and organizations are invited to comment on the proposed goal by contacting Kunjan Dayal, Procurement and Contracts Manager, by calling (425) 348-2308 or in writing to Community Transit, 7100 Hardeson Rd., Everett, WA 98203-5834.

Comments regarding the proposed DBE goals will be accepted until July 20, 2017.

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King County

King County Department of Transportation - Airport Division

Federal Fiscal Years 2017-2018 Adjusted DBE Goal

NOTICE

King County hereby gives notice of an adjustment to its approved Triennial DBE goal for utilizing Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs) adjusted for the Federal Fiscal Years 2017 and 2018, pursuant to 49 CFR, Part 26, United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) Regulations.

Triennial Adjusted DBE Goal of 3%

The goal will apply to all Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) assisted contracts awarded by King County in Federal Fiscal Years (FFY) 2017, and 2018. King County is now soliciting comments from the public on its proposed 3% Triennial DBE Goal for FAA assisted projects.

King County's Triennial DBE Goal for the period FFY 2017 through 2018, and the rationale for the proposed goal percentage are available for inspection at the following location: King County Chinook Building Third Floor, 401 Fifth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98104.

These documents are available for review during normal business hours (8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.) for a period of thirty (30) days following the date of this notice. The Business Development and Contract Compliance Section will accept public comments on the proposed triennial 3% Overall DBE Utilization Goal for forty (45) days after the date of this notice.

Address written comments to:

King County Business Development and Contract Compliance
401 Fifth Avenue, Third Floor
CNK-ES-0350
Seattle, WA 98104-1818

Written comments may also be directed to the Federal Aviation Administration, Civil Rights Office, AWP-9, 15000 Aviation Blvd., Hawthorne, CA 90261. Attn: Director, Western Pacific Region & DBE Compliance.

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Federal Fiscal Years 2018, 2019, and 2020 Proposed Amended Triennial DBE Goal

NOTICE

King County hereby gives notice of its proposed amended Triennial DBE goal for utilizing Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs) for the Federal Fiscal Years 2018, 2019, and 2020, pursuant to 49 CFR, Part 26, and United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) Regulations.

FTA Triennial DBE Goal of 12%

The goal will apply to all Federal Transit Administration (FTA) assisted contracts awarded by King County in Federal Fiscal Years (FFY) 2018, 2019, and 2020. King County is now soliciting comments from the public on its proposed 12% Triennial DBE Goal for FTA assisted projects.

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Comments can also be sent to the Regional Civil Rights Officer, Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Regional Office, 915 Second Avenue, Suite 3142, Seattle WA 98174.

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