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Dr. Sheryl Brissett Chapman is a passionate advocate and internationally recognized expert in child and family welfare. She has served as Executive Director of The National Center for Children and Families (NCCF) for 30 years. Chapman publishes and presents on a wide range of topics including juvenile justice, systems reform in child and family welfare, poverty and homelessness, childhood trauma, domestic violence, and cultural competency. Her most recent research and upcoming book, *Black Male Youth Raised in Public Systems: Engagement, Healing, Hope* is focused on Black male youth removed from their families and placed in public child welfare and juvenile justice systems.

Chapman's extensive work continues to garner recognition both internationally and locally. She facilitated the development of the first formal child protection system in the Pacific Basin and presented at the first national conference on child abuse in Israel. Chapman received the "Lifetime Achievement Award" from the National Association of Social Workers (NASW), and served on the second Jerry M. Consent Decree Panel for the DC Superior Court, where her research led to programmatic redesign. She recently served on Maryland's Council for the Procurement of Health, Educational & Social Services (CPHESS). Chapman is a Governor's appointee to the Maryland Procurement Improvement Council (PIC), a member of the Maryland Network Against Domestic Violence's Fatality Committee, a Board Director, Congressional Research Institute for Social Work Policy (CRISP), and a member of MCAC Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, in Montgomery County.

Chapman received a BA, Brown University, a Master's in Social Work, University of Connecticut, a Doctorate in Education, Administration, Planning, and Social Policy, Harvard University, and a Stanford University Graduate School of Business Certificate, Executive Program for Nonprofit Leaders. She has received numerous awards and recognitions, and served on the boards of the Maryland NonProfit, National Association of Social Workers, Maryland Association of Resources for Families and Youth (MARFY). In 2019, Brown University conferred an honorary doctorate to her in recognition of her achievements as an advocate and nonprofit innovator. Brown also recognized her with the John Hope Award for Public Service.

Dr. Chapman, formerly an adjunct associate professor, Howard University School of Social Work, for over 30 years, teaching family and child welfare and organizational behavior, has a home with her husband both in Downtown Silver Spring, Maryland, and in Dakar, Senegal. An adoptive and biological mother of five, she is extraordinarily proud of four grandchildren.

