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Lauri Ealom Appointed Democratic Director of the Kansas City Board of Election Commissioners

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (August 17, 2016) – The Kansas City Board of Election Commissioners has appointed Lauri Ealom to the position of Democratic Director of Elections. Ms. Ealom previously held the position of Assistant Democratic Director. Her career at the election board began in June of 2012, during which time she received hands-on experience in every department. She is very knowledgeable in all facets of election administration, accounting and finance, campaign finance, team building, and community outreach. A lifelong Democrat, Ms. Ealom was formerly an educator in the Frontier Charter School System.

Ms. Ealom holds a bachelor's degree from Clark Atlanta University, and is expected to complete her CERA Certification in Elections & Registration Administration from the Election Center in December of 2016. She is a member of the Election Center (National Association of Elections Officials), Missouri Association of County Clerks & Election Administrators, and the Clark Atlanta Alumni Association.

Lauri is the proud caretaker of her ninety year-old uncle, Dr. Albert M. Crocker, who helped to raise her. Dr. Crocker was one of the first African American pediatricians in Kansas City. She brings her uncle's commitment to compassion, transparency, and equality to her new position at the board.

Casey Martin, Chairman of the Kansas City Board of Election Commissioners, said, "We were fortunate to receive applications from many highly qualified individuals for this position, and after much deliberation, we're immensely excited for Lauri to take over this important leadership role. She has demonstrated an unshakable commitment to conducting free and fair elections, and is a proven leader within the organization. We look forward to working with Lauri, and the entire KCEB team to continue the essential task of serving the voters of Kansas City, Missouri."

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