

MINUTES ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE BLACK CAUCUS Thursday, December 14, 2023 8:30 AM Room B, MAC Little Rock, Arkansas

Committee members present: Senators Reginald Murdock, Vice-Chair, Linda Chesterfield, and Fredrick J. Love; Representatives Jay Richardson, Chair, Fred Allen, Denise Jones Ennett, Kenneth B. Ferguson, Vivian Flowers, Jamie Scott, and Joy Springer

Other members present: Representatives Tippi McCullough and Aaron Pilkington

Representative Jay Richardson called the meeting to order.

Discussion of Health Concerns Affecting Minorities [Exhibits B.1 and B.2]

Dr. Yolanda M. Lawson, President, National Medical Association (NMA), and Mr. Derek Lewis, Executive Director, National Medical Association Region V, discussed the history of the NMA, the medical disparities facing African American men and women, and the NMA's ongoing work nationally and in Arkansas.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.