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**DENELLA CLARK ELECTED TO SERVE AS VICE CHAIR OF THE MASSACHUSETTS
COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN**

BOSTON, MA – Hyde Park resident Denella Clark has been elected to serve as Vice Chair of the Massachusetts Commission on the Status of Women. Clark was initially appointed to the MCSW in April 2016 by Governor Charlie Baker.

The Commission on the Status of Women is an independent state agency that was legislatively created in 1998 to promote the rights and opportunities of women in the Commonwealth, and to advance full equality in all areas of life. The Commission provides a permanent, effective voice for Massachusetts women and is comprised of 19 diverse members who are appointed by the Governor, Senate President, Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Caucus of Women Legislators.

Denella Clark has over 25 years of experience in non-profit management, including academic, medicine, health and human services, and education organizations. Clark was named President of Boston Arts Academy Foundation in 2017. Clark strives to guide the mission of the Boston Arts Academy: the city's only public high school for the visual and performing arts.

Throughout her extensive management career, Clark has raised hundreds of millions of dollars to increase awareness, advance missions, and elevate non-profit brands. Clark led a \$25MM capital campaign for Dimock, has served on the leadership team for a \$100MM campaign at Joslin Diabetes Center, and has established an endowment at Dimock. Clark has held senior leadership roles at Massachusetts General Hospital, and is the Founder and principal of the Give Back Group.

Clark is an active volunteer and currently serves on multiple boards including the Metropolitan Council for Educational Opportunity, Inc. (METCO) and NAACP New England Area Conference. Clark is also a dedicated member of The Boston Club Corporate Board Committee. Clark is known for her ability to win community support, increase funding base, and build teams. Clark is viewed as a highly motivated leader and is a respected voice on nonprofit, faith, diversity, philanthropy, and women's issues.

For additional information, or to learn more about the work of the Massachusetts Commission on the Status of Women, please contact the MCSW office at 617-626-6520, or online at mcsw@state.ma.us.

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