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### **NCDA Announces 2017-2018 Executive Officers**

Washington, DC – The National Community Development Association (NCDA), the premier membership organization for local government community development professionals, elected the following new executive officers at its 48<sup>th</sup> annual business meeting on June 17, 2017 in Miami, FL.

Patrick J. Sullivan, Sr., New Bedford, MA, President

George Mensah, Miami, FL, Vice-President

Dale Cook, Jr., Palm Springs, CA, Secretary

Sheryl Kenny, Arlington, TX, Treasurer

“All of the officers bring a wealth of local community development and affordable housing experience and management and all have served tirelessly on the NCDA Board of Directors and, in some cases, additionally as subcommittee chairpersons,” said Vicki Watson, NCDA’s Executive Director.

The executive officers are recommended through the NCDA Nominations and Elections Committee, a council of their peers, and approved by the NCDA membership. It is quite an honor to serve on the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee is the leadership arm of the Board of Directors and monitors the activities and financial functions of the Association.

Patrick Sullivan, NCDA’s newly elected President, serves as the Director of Planning, Housing and Community Development at the City of New Bedford, MA. In his message to NCDA’s membership, Mr. Sullivan said, “It is vitally important that we, as an organization, continue to build new partnerships and strengthen existing relationships. I pledge to honor the great tradition of this organization and look forward to leading NCDA into future success.”

### **NCDA**

NCDA is a non-partisan, national non-profit membership-based organization that represents local government departments across the country that administer federally-supported community and economic development and affordable housing programs. NCDA is an association of people committed to assist local governments to achieve high quality, locally-responsive programs for making communities better places in which to live and work, particularly for low- and moderate-income people.