

“Sister to Sister” Networking Event Fosters a First in Lauderdale Lakes

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FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. - June 22, 2017 - Becker & Poliakoff shareholder and state lobbyist Yolanda Cash Jackson and Lauderdale Lakes Mayor Hazelle P. Rogers met in 2000 and their careers have intersected ever since. Each woman has dedicated her professional life to

advancing the interests of underrepresented communities throughout Florida, Ms. Jackson as an attorney and state lobbyist, Mayor Rogers as a community activist turned elected official.

Each has also been among each other’s biggest supporters. Ms. Jackson will host her “Sister to Sister” summer luncheon on June 22 at Becker & Poliakoff’s Ft. Lauderdale offices. Mayor Rogers will be there, as she has every time “Sister to Sister” has taken place. She’ll be joined by her vice mayor and three commissioners, longtime attendees of the “Sister to Sister” event as well. Because “Sister to Sister” is a combined city/state networking group created to celebrate and connect African-American women in business and politics, it certainly makes sense that the Lauderdale Lakes contingent will be there.

In turn, as the longest-serving member of Lauderdale Lakes’ lobbying team, it certainly makes sense that Ms. Jackson will be there at 6:30 in the evening when Mayor Rogers gives her first State-of-the-City Address at the City Hall Chambers in Lauderdale Lakes. Elected Mayor of the City of Lauderdale Lakes in November after serving eight years as a state legislator, Mayor Rogers presides over a staff comprised entirely of African-American women — Vice Mayor Veronica Edwards Phillips and Commissioners Sandra Davey, Gloria Lewis and Beverly Williams — a first in Florida municipal government and a connection that has flourished under “Sister to Sister” contact.