



Resolution in Memory of Dr. Derek Joseph Ifatade Wilson

WHEREAS, Dr. Derek Joseph Ifatade Wilson was a distinguished psychologist, educator, and leader in the field of African-centered Black Psychology; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Wilson served with distinction as the President-Elect of the Association of Black Psychologists (ABPsi), demonstrating his unwavering commitment to the advancement of the mental health and well-being of Black communities; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Wilson's contributions to the field of psychology, particularly his work in certification and training in African-centered Black Psychology, have had a profound and lasting impact on countless individuals and communities; and

WHEREAS, the Black Psychiatrists of America, Inc. is the organization representing psychiatrists working in concert with ABPsi to advance the mental health and well-being of Black communities; and

WHEREAS, the untimely passing of Dr. Wilson is a significant loss to the field of psychology, the Association of Black Psychologists, and the Black community as a whole;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Black Psychiatrists of America, Inc. that we express our deepest condolences to the family, friends, and colleagues of Dr. Derek Joseph Ifatade Wilson during this difficult time; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we acknowledge and honor the legacy of Dr. Wilson as a visionary leader, dedicated scholar, and compassionate advocate for the mental health and well-being of Black people; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we commit to continuing Dr. Wilson's work by advancing the field of African-centered Black Psychology and promoting the mental health and well-being of Black communities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the family of Dr. Derek Joseph Ifatade Wilson and the Association of Black Psychologists.

Adopted this 31st day of July, 2024.

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