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## THE AFRICAN AMERICAN BOARD LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE WELCOMES YOLANDA GORMAN TO ITS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

*Los Angeles, CA* – Yolanda J. Gorman, Ph.D., has been elected to the board of directors of The African American Board Leadership Institute (AABLI), a nonprofit organization that connects forward-looking organizations with excellent board candidates.

Senior Advisor to the Chancellor of the University of California, Los Angeles, Dr. Gorman has more than 25 years of experience as a successful organizational consultant specializing in nonprofit management. She has assisted nonprofit organizations with infrastructure and resource development, and has provided program and strategic planning, research and evaluation, board training and organizational development services.

Dr. Gorman has secured more than \$100 million from state, federal and private sources to help her clients design and deliver programs that respond to critical human needs. She conducts seminars and training sessions for the boards of local and national organizations, foundations and academic institutions, and has provided technical assistance to numbers of private foundations.

Board chair of CalNonprofits Insurance Services, a for-profit insurance solution for nonprofit organizations in California, she also serves on the Board of Trustees of Woodbury University. In 2013, Dr. Gorman was appointed by Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. to the board of the Baldwin Hills Conservancy, which she now serves as chair. She is the author of several articles and papers on organizational capacity building, strategic planning and business management.

The new board member earned three degrees from UCLA: a BA in psychology, an MBA from the Anderson School, and a Ph.D. in educational psychology. Dr. Gorman recently completed her second term as Alumni Regent of the University of California, the only Alumni Regent to serve twice.

"Dr. Gorman will provide AABLI with valuable insights and leadership in its strategic planning," said AABLI President and CEO Yvette Chappell-Ingram. "Her expertise in organizational capacity building will serve AABLI well as it prepares for a greater national role."

"We welcome Dr. Gorman to our dedicated board," added AABLI Board Chair Virgil Roberts. "Her contributions to our important work will be felt in all the communities we serve."

The mission of the African American Board Leadership Institute is to strengthen nonprofit, public and private organizations through recruiting, preparing and assisting with the placement of African Americans on a broad range of governing boards.

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