



Monroe County Legislature
Office of the President

SABRINA LAMAR
PRESIDENT

July 27, 2022

Sherita Bullock
Executive Director
Healthy Baby Network
693 East Avenue.
Rochester, New York 14607

Dear Ms. Bullock,

It is my pleasure to write this letter of support and we hope with you that your application to the Monroe County American Rescue Plan Funding Opportunity is selected for funding. The grant focus of creating infrastructure and services for vulnerable (medically, socially, historically, and environmentally) populations targeting Black birthing families and men with histories that include incarceration with a collaborative, person-centered, and culturally responsive approach is needed in our community at this time. Each of the three Bring Monroe Back Goals are addressed in your application and we support your efforts to respond to them by working to prevent Black Maternal Mortality and Morbidity and expanding the services in your Fatherhood Program to create innovations for Reentry, a multi-agency collaborative approach, and an intergenerational mentorship program with stipends.

As a HBN community partner, the Monroe County Legislature believes in their ability to plan, strategize, and execute this work centered on the parents engaged in the programs. HBN brings a unique bench-strength and perspective to their approach that has served the parents they work with and our community well over the 26 years the organization has operated. We stand ready to collaborate with them, in support of their work, and believe they should be funded.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sabrina LaMar".

Sabrina LaMar
President of the Legislature
District 27