## PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

## **COMMITTEE REPORT**

2019 Legislative Session

**Reference No.:** APPT-36-19

**Committee:** Health, Human Services and Public Safety

**Date:** 10/16/19

**Action:** Favorable

## **REPORT:**

Committee Vote: Favorable 4-0: Council Members Hawkins, Ivey, Harrison, and Taveras

Absent: Franklin

The Health, Human Services and Public Safety Committee met on October 16, 2019 to consider the appointments of Audrey B. Chase, Dorothy E. Duppins, Remilekun A. Duyile, Delores A. Furman, Shirley R. Newton-Guest, Wanda D. Smith, Kenneth L. White and Samuel L. Williams to the Board of Social Services for Prince George's County. It was announced during the meeting that Remilekun A. Duyile is no longer under consideration.

The Board of Social Services for Prince George's County advises the local director of the Office of Social Services and the state board as to the local application of State policies and procedures. The goal of this board is to be well informed on local departmental activities and to communicate comprehensive information as to the objectives, policies, programs and problems of local social services and public assistance administration to the residents of the County.

Miriam Brewer, Office of the County Executive, introduced the appointees and provided the Committee with background information about each. The nominees then introduced themselves, provided brief remarks and answered questions from the committee members. The appointees have an array of experiences which include trained social workers, experience with aging, banking and mental health. The discussion included suggestions from the committee members about adding social workers to more County schools, the County's Correctional Facilites and other ways to improve the quality of life of residents such as community health workers.

After discussion, the Health, Human Services and Public Safety Committee, voted the appointments of the individuals named to the Board of Social Services out favorably, 4-0.