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Diversifying the Field of Architecture through Scholarship and Service

WASHINGTON, DC. (March 25, 2018)—The Desiree V. Cooper (DVC) Memorial Scholarship Foundation announced that in its second year they will award two outstanding candidates scholarships toward their architecture exam. These scholarships will supplement expenses for the Architecture Registration Exam (ARE).

The jury, consisting of friends, colleagues and family of Desiree Cooper, felt that the applicants embodied the mission of the scholarship and were deserving of recognition. Ultimately, the jury chose to award Tya Winn the Black Women in Architecture award and Jennifer Matthews the DC Memorial Award. We wish these women and all of the applicants much success in their future as they work toward completing the licensure process and advancing in the architecture profession.

The committee also thanks the jury members for their time and deliberation. The 2019 jury members were Mrs Vivian Cooper, Ms Elduise Traore-Johnson, Mr Nikolas Hill, and Ms Yinka Ajirofutu.

The DVC Memorial Scholarship Foundation is committed to increasing the number of minority licensed architects. The Foundation looks forward to increasing its impact and offerings by increasing financial support and resources for future architects.

About The DVC Memorial Scholarship Foundation

The Desiree V. Cooper Memorial Scholarship Foundation seeks to honor the life and legacy of Desiree V. Cooper, an architect who practiced in Washington DC, by championing the things she was passionate about in her professional career and personal endeavors: providing continual service to her communities and encouraging minorities and women in the advancement of their careers in architecture.

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