



## **PRESS RELEASE**

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**GREETINGS** Elk Family, friends, and communities;

This is Attorney Leonard J. Polk Jr, Grand Exalted Ruler with an important message:

In the history of our country, Black Women have always made significant positive impact on the lives of all Americans. The announcement of a Black woman, Senator Kamala Harris, as the first woman of color, vice-presidential candidate of a major political party, is not only a testament to her leadership qualities and abilities but also a powerful statement of a more inclusive process and opportunity for those who have been grossly under-represented. Senator Harris represents an America that's truly evolving toward equal opportunity and equal justice.

Understanding that we are non-partisan, however, the historical significance of Sen. Harris' candidacy at this moment in time in our country should make all Americans feel proud regardless of political affiliation.

We, the Improved Benevolent Protective Order of Elks of the World, congratulate Senator Harris, on her selection and hope that her candidacy will be provided the respect and appreciation it deserves from all political spectrums and media outlets.

We cannot stress enough the importance of the upcoming November 2020 election. We enthusiastically encourage everyone to be a part of history by registering and voting in the upcoming November 2020 Election. Your vote counts!

God Bless you and God Bless the Improved Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the World

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