

MINUTES OF HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION ROUNDTABLE-AMERICA HOMELESSNESS COALITION

DATE: September 2, 2016
TIME: 10:00 AM
PLACE: Downtown Mississippi Meeting Space

Jennifer Hobson, Director of Women's Ministry discussed the change of meeting location based on bad weather in eastern coastal states and could not meet in South Carolina called the meeting to order to the meeting at 10:00 AM.

Staff Present: Women's Ministry
Pastor Nicolas Hobson, President/CEO of America Homelessness Coalition

Public Present: Business and religious leaders (too many people to list)

Review and Certification of Minutes of Last Meeting

None

Correspondence/Public Input

None

New Business

19.8% of black teenagers have jobs. Provide economic opportunity for minorities and all Americans. Forcing an increase on the minimum wage is bad for economy because it will cause more employers to use more technology. Government can only raise the minimum wage when the economy is doing really well and have high economic growth at more than 1-2%. All regulations need to be reevaluated by Obama administration by next President to improve economic growth. Illegal immigrants deserve a path to US citizenship by paying a fine and back taxes. Affordable Care Act drive more Americans to Medicaid because costs have been increasing. It is less doctors accepting payments for Medicare and Medicaid. Average income is \$12,300.

Pastor Hobson was present during web video to discuss his economic hardship after he applied for healthcare under the Affordable Care Act and his premiums were increasing by \$100/month. He said that he applied for healthcare for Affordable Care Act under www.healthcare.gov after the website was giving him glitches like other Americans after the law was signed by President Obama. It leaned him into Medicaid in Illinois.

Congress other than the executive should be able to write trade bills and laws in this country by offering amendments to trade deals so jobs can remain in the United States of America. Pastor Hobson and community leaders in the meeting oppose TPP because it is a bad trade deal and should not become law. TPP is a economic disaster for this country. Next President of United States of America need to eliminate Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) because it does less for low-income communities. CFPB does not provide congressional oversight. Pastor

Hobson supports repeal of Dodd-Frank legislation because it is failing legislation for the banking industry on bans and paying more of its liabilities. Government is not the solution to the program. Government is the problem.

First Lady discussed that Pastor Hobson sent economic proposals to President Obama and Democrats since 2009. They were all rejected by Democrats in Congress during Democratic-controlled Congress.

- Opposition on abortion and same-sex marriage (2011-2016)
- \$329 billion union appropriations bill (2009) to protect jobs and increase wages
- \$5.7 trillion federal debt reduction plan in 2011 to protect social security, Medicare, \$700 billion for defense; balance budget for infrastructure, transportation, health and human services, education and government programs
- Federal balance budget in 2012-2015 without increasing the debt ceiling
- Healthcare Affordability Act in 2013-2015
- \$33.2 billion for education to fund public universities, college free tuition at public universities for the 99%, increase Pell-Grants to \$7000 per semester or quarter.
- Federal gradual income tax and eliminate the IRS (2015-present)
- Affordable and SRO housing appropriations bill for \$50 billion (2015)
- \$2 trillion FY budget without raising the debt ceiling (2012, 2013, 2014)
- \$1 trillion FY budget without raising the debt ceiling (2012, 2013, 2014)

Old Business

First Lady provided sermon on the topic “Avoiding Haters on Earth.” Haters of successful and sophisticated people on earth think they know it all, but they do not know the facts about anything. Christians are not supposed to think they know it all. Christians on earth supposed to love support one another. We do not need to hate one another. We suppose to love ourselves. People on earth are negatively criticizing the bible and God commandments are wicked on earth. First Lady said to people in the meeting after the spiritual message she is voting for Gary Johnson-Libertarian candidate for President of United States of America.

Community leaders and advocates came up with the following recommendations:

1. Provide more affordable housing to homelessness in United States of America.
2. Provide and protect social services in communities
 - a. Child care for working parents
 - b. Mental health
 - c. Education and youth programs
 - d. Homelessness and case management services
3. Lower taxes in economy and cut taxes for working families
 - a. Implement the gradual income tax that Pastor Hobson has been proposing since 2015 along with eliminating the IRS. Federal gradual income tax will allow millionaires and billionaires to pay their fair share in taxes to pay 40% gradual/payroll tax over ten years, allow middle income Americans pay \$100 for

payroll tax, low-income pay \$50 payroll tax. Tax plan will generate \$2.1 trillion or more over ten years.

4. Employers need to take risks and hire ex-offenders to give them a second chance.
5. End mass incarceration and hate crimes in communities
 - a. Provide gun safety laws and provide assault weapons ban as well as enforce gun control provisions in the Brady Bill from the United States Senate. If national background checks are implemented in this country can protect the second amendment.
6. Reduce tax burden in communities
 - a. Lower income taxes in states for 99%
 - b. Lower federal income taxes for 99%
7. Provide good paying jobs in communities
 - a. Provide more black-owned black businesses in neighborhoods to provide jobs closer to home in communities. People deserve to travel less distances to jobs, not far in inner cities and suburbs and other towns.

Reports

Director, Women's Ministry-next Homelessness Prevention Roundtable is January 27, 2017 in Michigan.