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Ms Davis is a former Executive Committee member and Secretary of the Houston Branch, NAACP, positions she held for 16 years and 4 years, respectively. She is the immediate past president of the National Kidney Foundation Southeast Texas, which serves over 47 counties. In addition, Ms. Davis was recently re-elected Secretary of the Intercultural Cancer Council Board of Governors. She is a founding member of the MD Anderson Center for Research on Minority Health Disparities Consortium and a member of the Houston area American Heart Association Advisory Council. Ms. Davis is a member of the Payne Chapel AME Church where she serves as a mentor to young adults.

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