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Shumaker Advisors Taps Columbus City Council Leader Stanley E. Gates II as New Director of Government Affairs

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COLUMBUS, OH — Shumaker Advisors proudly announces that Stanley E. Gates II has joined the team as Director of Government Affairs, bringing a dynamic approach to government affairs and public policy. With a proven track record of creating innovative solutions to address complex societal challenges, Stanley is set to make an immediate impact in his new role.

Stanley's leadership has been instrumental in driving transformative initiatives that will shape communities for years to come. Most recently, he spearheaded Columbus City Council's zoning reform outreach strategy, mobilizing thousands of residents to participate in the city's equitable growth planning. His ability to engage diverse stakeholders and deliver meaningful results has been a hallmark of his career.

"Stanley's experience and passion for public service are an incredible addition to Shumaker Advisors," said Andy Herf, President of Shumaker Advisors. "His deep understanding of policy development, community engagement, and equity-focused initiatives aligns seamlessly with our mission to create lasting, positive change for our clients and communities."

Stanley's extensive experience includes championing initiatives like the Columbus Promise, which provides high school seniors with accessible pathways to higher education, and developing comprehensive housing agendas that have earned national recognition for promoting diversity and equity. His work reflects a commitment to improving lives through collaboration, strategic policymaking, and actionable solutions.

Stanley holds a Master's in Education Policy from The Ohio State University and a Bachelor's in Political Science from Howard University. His academic foundation, combined with years of hands-on leadership experience, underscores his dedication to advancing public policy and social change.

"I am excited to join Shumaker Advisors and contribute to the impactful work they do to shape policy and

strengthen communities,” Stanley said. “This opportunity allows me to continue my commitment to creating equitable solutions and fostering collaboration among stakeholders.”