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Katrina T. McCombs STATE DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT

## Statement from Superintendent Katrina T. McCombs on the passing of Community Leader Robert Dickerson

Camden, NJ – It is with a heavy heart and profound sorrow that we announce the passing of Robert Dickerson, a beloved father, husband, community leader, and a luminary in the city of Camden. Mr. Dickerson's legacy of service, activism, and dedication to our community will forever be remembered.

Robert Dickerson was a cornerstone of our community, an activist, and the Founder of the Unity Community Center and the African Drum & Dance ensemble. He was not just a community leader but a beacon of hope for countless individuals in Camden and the surrounding areas.

Over the last two decades, we had the privilege and honor of witnessing Mr. Dickerson's children, who, following in their father's footsteps, became strong advocates for education and devoted themselves to teaching generations of our students here in the Camden City School District. The Dickerson family's commitment to the betterment of our community has left an indelible mark on the hearts and minds of all those they have touched.

We extend our deepest, most sincere condolences to the Dickerson family during this difficult time. Our thoughts and prayers are with you as you mourn the loss of a remarkable father, husband, and leader. The impact of Robert Dickerson's life's work will continue to resonate throughout our city and beyond.

In this time of profound loss, we also offer our heartfelt condolences to the family's friends and the entire community of Camden. Together, we grieve and honor the memory of a truly exceptional individual.

To honor Robert Dickerson's memory, we will observe a special moment of silence during our October board meeting. On behalf of Superintendent McCombs and the Advisory Board Members, we extend our deepest sympathies to all those who knew and admired Mr. Dickerson. He will be greatly missed, and his legacy will continue to inspire us as we carry forward his vision.

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