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*“Being a great leader is all about **having a genuine willingness and a true commitment to lead others to achieve a common vision and goals through positive influence.** No leader can ever achieve anything great or long-lasting all alone. Teamwork goes hand in hand with leadership. Leadership is about people-and for people.”* By Dr. John C. Maxwell

This quote embodies an individual who is a natural born leader, and his name is Jimmy McMikle! From his time as a world class scholar athlete at the Indiana University Chapter, the Alpha of Kappa Alpha Psi to the Senior Grand Vice Polemarch, Jimmy has prepared for this very moment. Jimmy developed Kappa Alpha Psi’s five year strategic plan that is well into the execution phase. Last year, Jimmy established an effective training program for the Council of Province Polemarchs, Council of Senior Province Vice Polemarchs and Council of Junior Province Vice Polemarchs, which elevated their leadership training and will be used as a standard moving forward. To be honest, Jimmy’s resume is filled with many accomplishments and accolades in Kappa Alpha Psi and within his personal ventures as a successful entrepreneur.

I could spend a lot of time highlighting the many achievements Jimmy has accomplished but let me take a few moments to focus on what I believe are Jimmy’s effective leadership qualities that are inspirational to me, members of the Northeastern Province, and members throughout Kappa Alpha Psi.

Jimmy is a “brother’s brother” who’s love for Kappa is extremely transparent. He’s eloquent in his delivery about his vision for Kappa and he is masterful at developing leaders by empowering them to be the best version of themselves. Jimmy excels within unfamiliar territory because he sees it as an opportunity for growth. He never strays from challenging conversations and naturally engages with Brothers from all walks of life.

**“A leader is one who knows the way, goes the way, and shows the way.” Jimmy McMikle is that leader!**

I am extremely proud to know this Brother and I continue to learn a tremendous amount under his leadership. I wholeheartedly support Jimmy McMikle’s campaign for the next Grand Polemarch of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Incorporated.

Yours in the Bond,

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