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Caribbean Women Caring for our Communities

Last week, there was a meeting of the minds and hearts when Mrs. Alston Wilson, O.D., Consul General of Jamaica in New York met with Morris Heights Health Center's humanitarian, President & CEO Mari G. Millet. The two powerhouses discussed healthcare, education and their relentless pursuit to improve lives of residents in the communities they serve.

Both Consul General Wilson and President & CEO Millet are *boots on the ground* leaders, and immediately they agreed on collaborating on November 21, 2020 at Morris Height Health Center at 825 E 233rd Street, Bronx NY for a day of service to the residents of the Bronx. The Consul General's Office and MHHC in partnership with National Bakery, Western Union, Victoria Mutual Building Society (VMBS), and GraceKennedy Limited will host a wellness event including dental, primary care, flu shots and COVID-19 tests and will provide bags with fresh baked foods and coconut water.

In view of the alignment of the foregoing project with the firm commitment of the Consul General to the upliftment of underserved communities, Mrs. Wilson indicated that she was *"absolutely delighted to partner with another like-minded humanitarian champion like Ms. Millet, in the service of our people"*.

The Consul General and the CEO are excited about the prospects of serving our communities better and have agreed to explore additional opportunities for continued close and meaningful engagement.

Morris Heights Health Center, founded in 1981 by Jamaican born pioneer, Verona Greenland and now commanded by Mari G. Millet is a Federally Qualified Health Center with nine locations providing healthcare services to the community and 20 School Based Health centers servicing 48 schools. Under Ms. Millet's leadership,

Morris Heights Health Center is expanding; two weeks ago, a state of the art Dental Suite was opened at 825 E 233rd Street, Bronx NY, an urgent care is scheduled to open at 1 West Burnside, Bronx NY in January 2021, and Morris Heights Health Center's first location outside of the Bronx is scheduled to open in Brooklyn at 1095 Flatbush Avenue in Summer 2021. Ms. Millet is passionate about wellness and is on a mission to teach the residents of the communities served how to care for themselves to prevent many of the diseases that plague the communities like diabetes, hypertension and obesity.

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