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## STATEMENT BY ROBERT L. JOHNSON ON THE PASSING OF FORMER PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY EXECUTIVE WAYNE K. CURRY

**BETHESDA, MD**//**JULY 2, 2014**// "Prince George's County and the Washington Metropolitan region lost a dynamic elected official and public servant. Wayne represented the best of young African American political leaders who came to power with but one goal in mind to provide opportunities for minority and working class families and he opened the doors for minority entrepreneurs to become part of the economic environment in Prince George's County. I knew Wayne as a friend and as a man with a great sense of humor and joy in life. I, like all of his family, friends, and supporters will miss him greatly."

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