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TO: Heads of State Agencies and Human Resources Directors

SUBJECT: 2021 Charles E. Dunbar, Jr. Career Civil Service Award Nominations

Entering into the 62nd year of its annual program, the Louisiana Civil Service League has announced the call for nominations for the 2021 Charles E. Dunbar, Jr. Career Service Award. Since the inception of the program, more than 800 classified public employees have been awarded the Dunbar Career Service Award. Recognizing the tremendous contributions made to the state of Louisiana by classified employees, we encourage you to consider nominating one of your employees for this prestigious honor.

The Dunbar Award is the highest honor classified state employees can receive for their service to the citizens of Louisiana. The Civil Service League bestows the award on local, state, and municipal civil service employees who distinguish themselves through unselfish service to the citizens of Louisiana. Nominees are judged on commitment to the classified service, contributions toward workplace improvement, personal initiative, and volunteer community service.

The award is named in honor of Charles E. Dunbar, Jr., who was responsible for spearheading the effort to establish a classified workforce that would be governed through merit system principles and founding the Louisiana Civil Service League.

ANYONE WHO WAS A CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEE DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR 2020 OR 2021 IS ELIGIBLE TO BE NOMINATED.

We encourage you to distribute this information and nomination form to all employees. To fill out the form electronically, please click here. After completing the fill-in PDF form, please print and sign the signature page. You can then scan and email the form (with signatures) to Lindsay.Ruiz@la.gov. You can also mail the form directly to the Louisiana Civil Service League. Please mail six (6) copies of each nomination form to the address below by **Thursday, September 23, 2021**:

Mr. Daniel E. Sullivan Executive Vice President Louisiana Civil Service League 810 Union Street, Suite 305 New Orleans, Louisiana 70112 If you have any questions, please refer to the <u>Dunbar Award Frequently Asked Questions</u>, or contact Mr. Sullivan at (504) 522-3875 or <u>lacsl@bellsouth.net</u>.

Sincerely,

s/Byron P. Decoteau, Jr. State Civil Service Director