



THE CITY OF NEW YORK  
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
NEW YORK, N. Y. 10007

October 14, 2017

Dear Friends:

I am delighted to join The Africa Center in welcoming everyone to its "Top of the Mile" Community Day.

New York's incredible cultural landscape incorporates the customs and traditions of people from around the globe, and it offers us endless reasons to celebrate. Today, the remarkable diversity that defines the five boroughs will be on full display as New Yorkers of all backgrounds gather at the uppermost part of Fifth Avenue's "Museum Mile" for a vibrant presentation of African culture and Harlem community pride. Featuring art and fashion installations, music performances, children's activities, food trucks serving African-inspired dishes, a voter registration drive, tours of the Center's much-anticipated new location, and more, this lively event is a wonderful opportunity to demonstrate the spirit of unity and creativity that is shaping the future of one of our city's most historic neighborhoods. I applaud everyone associated with organizing today's festivities for their efforts to preserve the rich heritage of Africa, enhance our city's cultural dynamism, and uplift New Yorkers from Harlem and beyond. Together, we are forging a brighter, more inclusive tomorrow for all.

On behalf of the City of New York, Chirlane and I extend our best wishes for an enjoyable afternoon and continued success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bill de Blasio".

Bill de Blasio  
Mayor