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**MASSACHUSETTS BLACK AND LATINO LEGISLATIVE CAUCUS VOTES NEW
CHAIR, REPRESENTATIVE FRANK MORAN (D- LAWRENCE)**

BOSTON – The Massachusetts Black and Latino Legislative Caucus (MBLLC) unanimously voted State Representative Frank Moran (D-Lawrence) to serve as Chair for the 190th legislative session. Representative Moran, whose district includes Lawrence, Methuen, and Andover, has been a member of the MBLLC since entering the House of Representatives in 2013. He replaces Representative Russell Holmes (D-Mattapan), who transitions from his two-year Chair duties in early April 2017.

“I’m beyond humbled by today’s vote”, said Representative Moran. “I do not take this responsibility lightly and look forward to leading the Caucus”, he continued.

As MBLLC Chair, Representative Moran will be responsible for setting a legislative, budget and community agenda for the MBLLC.

“I thank Representative Holmes for his leadership these past two years. Moving ahead, I plan to focus on strengthening the MBLLC’s impact here in the State House for the benefit of all Commonwealth residents”, said Representative Moran.

Representative Moran has served on the MBLLC Executive Board for the past two legislative terms. Aside from the MBLLC, he currently serves as the Vice Chair on the House Committee on Bills in the Third Reading. He is also a member of the Joint Committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies, Joint Committee on Public Service, and House Committee on Redistricting. Prior to arriving to the Legislature, Representative Moran served on the Lawrence City Council as an At-large member and Council President from 2010-2013.

In addition to electing a new Chair, the MBLLC also elected Representative Aaron Vega to serve as Treasurer (replacing Representative Moran) and Representative Evandro Carvalho as Clerk (replacing Representative Aaron Vega). Senator Sonia Chang-Diaz will remain in her current role of MBLLC Vice Chair.

One of the new Executive Boards first tasks is to oversee the MBLLC’s 2017 State Budget Listening Tour, which will provide residents the opportunity to weigh in on MBLLC budget priorities. The Listening Tour is set to start in Chelsea on Monday, April 10 at Chelsea City Hall. Other tour stops include Randolph on Tuesday, April 11 at Stetson Hall and Worcester on Wednesday, April 12 at the Belmont A.M.E. Zion Church. Each event will run from 6pm-8pm.

For more information on the Massachusetts Black and Latino Legislative Caucus, please visit: www.mablacklatinocaucus.com/.

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