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### **Statement Regarding Warrant Clinic—Councilwoman Erika L. Green, District 5**

On Monday, April 2, 2018, a Pre-Registration event was held at the Leo S. Butler Community Center to engage and address citizens that may have outstanding misdemeanor warrants in Baton Rouge City Court. This event was the first of a number of scheduled pre-registration events to engage and inform the community prior to the city wide Warrant Clinic tentatively planned for May 19, 2018.

These events are being coordinated by my office in conjunction with the Power Coalition and CPEX following a series of planning meetings with the partnering agencies including the EBR Parish Attorney's Office, Public Defender's Office, EBR Constables Office, BR City Court, and Southern University Law Center. This group of agencies have been meeting for the past two months in planning and preparation to provide a real opportunity to help the citizens of Baton Rouge. With over 60 persons showing up to the first pre-registration event, my goal is to continue working with the agencies from the planning committee including the City Court to ensure that this much needed event happens.

On behalf of the Power Coalition, CPEX, and myself, our number one goal is to build trust between the judicial system and the citizens of Baton Rouge while addressing the needs of the community in an organized, well planned, and community centered event.

As promised to our partners and the citizens of East Baton Rouge, all individuals will be contacted to assist you further. For your efforts, we will also continue to work with the BR City Court to assist your needs. If you have any concerns or questions do not hesitate to reach out to my office. We will issue a Press Release with further information early next week about this great event.

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