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Building on the Child Tax Credit to Help All Children Thrive

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WELCOME

Jeff Madrick, Director of the Bernard L. Schwartz Rediscovering Government Initiative and Fellow at The Century Foundation

KEYNOTE

Representative Rosa DeLauro (CT-3rd District)

REACTION

Peter Edelman, Director of Georgetown Center on Poverty and Inequality

PANEL DISCUSSION

Melissa Boteach, Vice President, Poverty to Prosperity Program, Center for American Progress

Irv Garfinkel, Mitchell I. Ginsberg Professor of Contemporary Urban Problems, Columbia University

Cemeré James, Vice President for Public Policy, National Black Child Development Initiative

Tiffany Jones, Chairperson, Montgomery County Head Start Parent Policy Council

Renée Wilson-Simmons, Director, National Center for Children in Poverty, Columbia University Mailman School of Public Health (Moderator)

JEFF MADRICK

Director of the Bernard L. Schwartz Rediscovering Government Initiative and Fellow at The Century Foundation

Jeff Madrick is a fellow at The Century Foundation and director of the Bernard L. Schwartz Rediscovering Government Initiative. He is editor of *Challenge Magazine*, a regular contributor to The New York Review of Books, and a former economics columnist for the *New York Times*. Madrick's most recent published book, *How Big Should Government Be* (UC Press, 2016), displays rigorous evidence on the positive role of government in fostering economic growth and fair distribution. He is the author of several books, including *Taking America* (Bantam), and *The End of Affluence* (Random House), both of which were *New York Times* Notable Books of the Year. He has written for many other publications, including the *Washington Post*, the *Los Angeles Times*, *Institutional Investor*, *The Nation*, *American Prospect*, the *Boston Globe*, *Newsday*, and the business, op-ed, and magazine sections of the *New York Times*. He was formerly finance editor of *Business Week Magazine* and an NBC News reporter and commentator. His awards include an Emmy and a Page One Award.

REPRESENTATIVE ROSA DELAURO

CT-3rd District

Rosa DeLauro is the Congresswoman from Connecticut's Third Congressional District, which stretches from the Long Island Sound and New Haven to the Naugatuck Valley and Waterbury, and has represented the district since 1990. Rosa serves in the Democratic leadership as Co-Chair of the Democratic Steering and Policy Committee, and she is the Ranking Member on the Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Appropriations Subcommittee, where she oversees our nation's investments in education, health, and employment. Rosa also serves on the subcommittee responsible for the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration where she oversees food and drug safety.

At the core of Rosa's work is her fight for America's working families. Rosa believes that our first priority must be to strengthen the economy and create good middle class jobs. She supports tax cuts for working and middle class families, fought to expand the Child Tax Credit to provide tax relief to millions of families, and introduced the Young Child Tax Credit to give families with young children an economic lift. Rosa belongs to 62 House caucus groups and is the co-chair of the Baby Caucus, the Long Island Sound Caucus and the Food Safety Caucus.

PETER EDELMAN

Director, Georgetown Center on Poverty and Inequality

Peter Edelman is the Carmack Waterhouse Professor of Law and Public Policy at Georgetown University Law Center, where he teaches constitutional law and poverty law and is faculty director of the Georgetown Center on Poverty and Inequality. On the faculty since 1982, he has also served in all three branches of government. He is currently chair of the District of Columbia Access to Justice Commission and the National Center for Youth Law, and formerly board chair of the American Constitution Society for Law and Policy and the Public Welfare Foundation, board president emeritus of the New Israel Fund, and a board member of the Center for Law and Social Policy, the Center for American Progress Action Fund, and a half dozen other nonprofit organizations.

MELISSA BOTEACH

Vice President, Poverty to Prosperity Program, Center for American Progress

Melissa Boteach is the Vice President of the Poverty to Prosperity Program at American Progress. In this capacity, she oversees American Progress' poverty policy development and analysis, as well as its advocacy and outreach work. Boteach served as the policy lead on *The Shriver Report: A Woman's Nation Pushes Back from the Brink*, a book and multimedia platform by Maria Shriver and the Center for American Progress about the one in three women living in or on the brink of poverty and the public, private, and personal solutions to help the nation push back. Boteach has appeared on MSNBC, Fox News, and C-SPAN; has been a guest on several radio shows; and is frequently cited in English and Spanish print and online media. She was named as one of Forbes magazine's 30 under 30 for law and policy in 2011.

IRV GARFINKEL

Mitchell I. Ginsberg Professor of Contemporary Urban Problems, Columbia University

Irwin Garfinkel is the Mitchell I. Ginsberg Professor of Contemporary Urban Problems at the Columbia University School of Social Work, co-founding director of the Columbia Population Research Center and the Columbia Center on Poverty and Social Policy and the co-principal investigator of both the New York City Poverty Tracker Study and the Fragile Families and Child Well-being Study. He has authored over 200 scientific articles and 16 books and edited volumes on poverty, income transfer policy, program evaluation, single parent families, and child support. He has begun studying gene-environment interactions. His most recent book is *Wealth and Welfare States: Is America a Laggard or Leader?*.

CEMERÉ JAMES

Vice President for Public Policy, National Black Child Development Initiative

Cemeré James recently joined the National Black Child Development Institute as Vice President of Policy. Prior to joining NBCDI, Cemeré was deputy director of the Work Support Strategies project and senior policy analyst at CLASP where she focused on strategies to increase access to public work support programs. Before joining CLASP, Cemeré was Lead Operations Specialist at Illinois Department of Human Services and, from 2009-2011, Cemeré was an inaugural fellow in the Illinois Early Childhood Fellows Program where she worked as an advocate for access to quality early childhood education and supported their strategic planning initiatives. Ms. James holds a Master of Public Policy degree from University of Chicago and a Master of Industrial Engineering and Management Science degree from Northwestern University, as well as a bachelor's degree in Industrial Engineering from Florida A&M University.

TIFFANY JONES

Chairperson, Montgomery County Head Start Parent Policy Council

Tiffany Jones is the chairperson of the Montgomery County (Maryland) Head Start Parent Policy Council. She is the proud mother of three children 6,7 and 10, was named the Montgomery County Head Start Parent of the Year and Maryland Community Action Partnership Parent of the Year in 2015. She has worked as a child care provider for the last 10 years.

RENÉE WILSON-SIMMONS

Director, National Center for Children in Poverty, Columbia University Mailman School of Public Health

Before joining NCCP in 2012, Renée Wilson-Simmons, DrPH, served as the senior associate for adolescent health and development at the Annie E. Casey Foundation in Baltimore, where she managed foundation initiatives and related grants and activities focused on reproductive health. She also served as associate director of the Evidence-Based Practice Group, which identifies, develops, and scales up evidence-based interventions for children and families involved with public social service systems. Prior to taking her role at Casey, Dr. Wilson-Simmons was a senior scientist at Education Development Center, a global nonprofit organization with responsibility for the development and implementation of a range of projects that address the health and safety needs of young people living in high-poverty urban areas. She was also director of the Health Promotion Program for Urban Youth at Boston City Hospital, principal investigator of the first Office of Minority Health-funded grant to develop a community-based coalition to prevent homicide in the African-American community, and director of a five-year National Institutes of Health study of the long-term impact of a comprehensive adolescent health program on reductions in multiple-risk behaviors related to violence, substance abuse, and early and unprotected sexual activity among inner-city African-American and Hispanic youths.