DEREK R. BROOMES IS APPOINTED PRESIDENT & CEO OF HARLEM CONGREGATIONS FOR COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT

r. Charles A. Curtis, chairman of the Board of Directors of Harlem Congrega- tions for Community Improvement, HCCI, announced on January 10, 2012 the appointment of Mr. Derek E. Broomes as the president and chief executive officer of HCCI, effective December 14, 2011. Dr. Curtis stated, "Derek Broomes is a gifted manager who has proven his effectiveness to HCCI. For nine years, Broomes diligently served HCCI as our Chief Financial Officer, and we are happy to reward his commitment with this promotion. His leadership will strengthen HCCI and will continue its ability to work with community groups, agencies and our interfaith leaders."

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