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A CENTURY OF BLACK LIFE

Dear Dr. Toure:

On behalf of the **Greater Kansas City Black History Study Group** (GKCBHSG), we would like to extend our thanks and sincere gratitude to you for your presentation, on Monday April 17th at the **St. Mary's Episcopal Church**. GKCBHSG is a branch of **The Association for the Study of African American Life and History** (ASALH), and was founded by Dr. Carter G. Woodson in 1915. Its mission is "to promote, research, preserve, interpret and disseminate information about Black life, history and culture to the global community."

In keeping with this year's theme "The Crisis in Black Education," your powerful and visual message entitled "Publishing Stories of Resiliency and Resistance: Examples of Langaa in Cameroon," spoke volumes about the current unrest in Cameroon, as well as some of the highlights and challenges in publishing the stories of unheralded, underappreciated and extraordinary Africans. Your massive library of Langaa published books on display was indeed impressive.

As noted in your presentation, "Langaa" means "desire." It is our chapter's desire that you will continue to be integral part of our growth in the commitment to share and preserve the deep rich history of Black America, Cameroon and neighboring African countries.

So thanks for sharing your insight and passion about this wonderful, and sometimes overlooked chapter about the struggles and movements in Africa. It was a phenomenal job by a phenomenal woman!

Here's wishing you and Dr. Cecelia Robinson early success in future endeavors, as you take your message to new academic heights, new audiences and beyond.

It's "COFFEE TIME".

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