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As Justice Ketanji Brown Jackson formally takes her seat on the Supreme Court, the Black Women's Leadership Collective (BWLC), a leadership and organizing hub for Black women's organizations, advocates, and supporters, issued the following statement:

"The start of the new Supreme Court term marks a momentous day in our country's path to becoming a more just nation. In the court's 233-year history, only five women have served as justices, and now, we are witnessing the first Black woman rightfully take her seat. As one of the most qualified and highest supported nominees ever, Justice Jackson will serve as a voice for Black women on our nation's highest court."

"This significant moment would not be possible if our community hadn't turned out to vote in record numbers in the 2020 presidential election, holding President Biden accountable to his promise to nominate a Black woman, and then organized to show our support throughout Justice Jackson's nomination process. Together we are changing the direction of the country."

"With just weeks to go until the midterm election, this momentum cannot slow down. Our collective power is what's going to move this country forward on the most crucial issues of today – including reproductive freedoms, racial justice, and economic justice – and allow us to elect leaders who will fight on behalf of our best interests."

"The Black Women's Leadership Collective encourages the many organizations and activists committed to uplifting Black women's voices to ensure our communities get out and vote. Visit www.blackwomensleadershipcollective.org to make a plan for Election Day, and remind your family, friends, and neighbors, too."

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The Black Women's Leadership Collective is a leadership and organizing hub for Black women's organizations, advocates, and supporters. We are a collective of intergenerational, intersectional Black women leaders throughout the nation. Within our collective are organizational leaders, business leaders, political strategists, student leaders, faith leaders, tech leaders, labor leaders, pioneers in sports, music and entertainment, movement leaders and more.

To learn more about the Black Women's Leadership Collective please visit www.blackwomensleadershipcollective.org.