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IN MEMORY OF DWAYNE WOODARD

Chicago, IL – February 19, 2021 -- USA Deaf Basketball (USADB) is mourning the loss of Dwayne Woodard. He passed away on February 18, 2021 in Maryland.

Dwayne, a Washington, DC native, was a long time member of the Eastern Athletic Association of the Deaf (EAAD) and the Deaf basketball community. He had played for many teams within the EAAD region such as East Zone of DC, Nickel City, Greater Philadelphia (G. Phila), DC Elite Hoyas, etc. While playing for East Zone of DC in 2007 in Indianapolis, IN, Dwayne's team won the men's championships.

Dwayne is survived by his wife, April Jackson-Woodard and two children, Akeisha and Keivonn. He will be deeply missed but lives on in the hearts of those who knew him.

The American Athletic Association of the Deaf (AAAD) was established in 1945 in Akron, OH to promote basketball opportunities for deaf athletes. In 1995, restructure of the AAAD led to the formation of USA Deaf Sports Federation (USADSF) with USA Deaf Basketball (USADB) becoming the new national basketball governing body. USADB sponsors and promotes regional and national basketball tournaments for deaf adults each year, the East-West high School All-Stars; and youth and adult teams to the World Championships, PanAm Games and Deaflympics. For more information, go to www.usadb.us.

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