

Ekomdo Ndito Ete!

Dear Members of EfikUSA,

On Saturday, July 28, 2018, I was sworn in as the new President of our prestigious organization. I give thanks to God Almighty for His benevolence. I'm very thankful to the Election Committee for nominating me as your new President. I thank our past and outgoing Presidents, Chief Paul Duke and Chief (Dr.) Chris Effiong respectively, for their tireless efforts in making EfikUSA a respectable and formidable 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. For all past and outgoing Executives, I join all Efiks in acknowledging your contributions and sacrifices. My gratitude goes to all past and current Advisory Board members. To the many fervent members at the Chapter level, please know that we appreciate you.

Congratulations again to The Efik Professionals of Houston for a wonderful 2018 convention. It was beautiful to see those who came out to join in the reunion celebration. I thank God for journey mercies as we all arrived back safely to our various destinations. I'm looking forward to seeing even more of us at the 2019 convention in New York (July 25 - 28). Please save the Date!

I'm in the process of forming my administration. In the forthcoming weeks, we will have an agenda with a clear strategic vision and goals for the organization. Ndito Ete, we have work ahead of us! Let us leave all our differences aside and come together in one accord, with a common agenda of lifting this organization to an even more prosperous and competitive level and with a brighter future.

As an Efik Son, it's not just enough to be proud of our heritage. It is incumbent upon us to hold ourselves to a high moral standard, with dignity, and demonstrate respect and civility towards one another. We must be more proactive in our organization's affairs without dereliction of our duties as a community. We need to prepare our children to transition into EfikUSA leadership positions with the goal of producing a brighter future for our Efik community.

This is a new day and a new beginning. Please join me.

Long live Efik Eburutu!

Long live His Eminence, The Obong of Calabar, Edidem Ekpo Okon Abasi Otu V!

Long live EfikUSA!

Sincerely,

High Chief Eyo Inyang
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