

Honoring Former NBCSL President, Rep. Mary Coleman (MS)

As President of the National Black Caucus of State Legislators from 2002-2004, Representative Mary Coleman made a commitment to strengthening the organization through the involvement and unity of its members. According to Coleman, “As the largest Black legislative body in the world, strengthening the organization will strengthen the Caucus’ ability to serve.”

Representative Coleman has led critical new initiatives that help connect member legislators to each other and to the districts they represent. In convening the Faith Round Table, she helped to reformulate the strong relationship of Black State Legislators to the Black Church and other faith groups. Her outreach to other Caucus bodies set a foundation for productive collaborative efforts across district lines, from local to federal elected officials.

Representative Mary Coleman has served in the legislature since 1994 and considers herself a “servant of the people.”