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TOUGALOO COLLEGE CENTER FOR CIVIC ENGAGEMENT & SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY HOSTS "PEOPLE SPEAK" FORUM

Tougaloo College will hold a forum, "The People Speak", Thursday, September 29, 2005, at 7:00 p.m. in the Holmes Hall Auditorium. The subject for the forum is "Race, Poverty, and Health". Invited panelists are Dr. Clifton Addison, Director of Research and Strategic Initiatives, Jackson Heart Study Coordinating Center, Jackson State University; Dr. Mohammad Shahbazi, Interim Chair, Department of Behavioral and Environmental Science, School of Public Health, Jackson State University; Dr. Elsaudi Mohamed, Chairman of the Economics Department, Tougaloo College; and Dr. Stephen L. Rozman, Director of the Center for Civic Engagement & Social Responsibility, Tougaloo College. The moderator for this event will be Eric Williams, Director of Service Learning at Tougaloo College.

The forum's topic relates to national and international issues, with a focus on Hurricane Katrina and its impact on lower-income and minority groups in New Orleans.

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Founded in 1869, Tougaloo College is a private, historically black, coeducational four-year liberal arts institution, located on the northern edge of Jackson, Mississippi. Known nationally as "The Cradle of the Civil Rights Movement in Mississippi," the College is led by its first female president, Dr. Beverly Wade Hogan. The 13th president of Tougaloo College, Dr. Hogan is a 1973 graduate of the College and a native Mississippian. Under her visionary leadership, the College boasts a student retention rate of 78%, and ranks as one the top five historically black colleges and universities whose graduates earn their PhDs in the sciences. Over 60% of its graduates enter graduate and professional schools immediately after graduation. Today, Tougaloo College is the leading producer of African American health professionals, including over 40% of the physicians and dentists, practicing in the state of Mississippi. It has produced more than one-third of the state's African American attorneys and educators, including teachers,