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Press Conference Announces NBPA International Leadership Institute at Tougaloo College

Tougaloo, Miss. — The National Black Police Association is launching its International Leadership Institute at Tougaloo College, Tougaloo, Mississippi. **The press conference will take place Thursday, February 8, 2007, 11:00 a.m. in the Owens Health and Wellness Center at Tougaloo College.**

In 2002, the National Black Police Association, in partnership with its Sisters and Brothers from around the world, established the National Black Police Association International Leadership Institute “Leadership & Professional Development Program.” The NBPA/ILI is committed to challenging ineffective traditional leadership models and strategically equipping, commissioning and deploying principled-centered leaders throughout the world. The ILI Leadership and Professional Development Program is designed to prepare individuals with the necessary competencies in areas of leadership development, personal and professional development, and organizational savvy.

The ILI prepares leaders to confront critically many challenges facing criminal justice professionals, organizations, and their communities. So, we have chosen Tougaloo College and President Dr. Beverly Wade Hogan as the location and model of excellent leadership for the NBPA’s International Leadership Institute: “Where History Meets the Future”

In attendance, Dr. Beverly Wade Hogan, President Tougaloo College, Marcus G. Jones, National Chairman, Board of Directors, Ronald E. Hampton, Executive Director, Dr. Jimmy Bell, Consultant to the National Black Police Association as well as Wendell M. France Executive Director of the International Leadership Institute. Also present will be David McFarlane, National Coordinator, NBPA/UK and a variety members and friends of the organization.

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 and 13th president, Dr. Beverly Wade Hogan. Dr. Hogan is a 1973 graduate of the College and a native Mississippian. Under her visionary leadership, the College has increased its enrollment by 12% and boasts a student retention rate of 68%.

Tougaloo College ranks among the top 50 U.S. institutions whose graduates earn PhDs in science and engineering disciplines and among the top 15 historically black colleges and universities in the graduation of females with undergraduate degrees in the physical sciences. The College has produced more graduates who have completed their PhD degrees through the UNCF-Mellon Doctoral Fellowship Program than any other institution in the nation.

Listed as one of the Best Colleges in the Southeast by The Princeton Review (2007 edition) and the only Mississippi institution ranked among the top 20 liberal arts institutions in the nation by Washington Monthly, 66% of its graduates enter professional and graduate schools immediately after graduation. 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. Among its graduates are more than one-third of the state's African American attorneys and educators including teachers, principals, school superintendents, college/university faculty and administrators.