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THE NATIONAL BLACK ALUMNI HALL OF FAME FOUNDATION CELEBRATES ITS
25TH ANNIVERSARY DURING ANNUAL HALL OF FAME WEEKEND

(Atlanta, Georgia, August 30, 2010) -- The members of the **Board of Directors** of the **National Black College Alumni Hall of Fame Foundation, Inc. (Hall of Fame)** are excited to celebrate its 25th Anniversary during **The Annual Hall of Fame Weekend** Thursday, September 23 through Sunday, September 26, 2010. The Hall of Fame Foundation is a catalyst and partner to help ensure the stability, strength and excellence of our nation's Historical Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs), and assembles alumni, students, administrators, corporate leaders, celebrities and dignitaries for a weekend of events that include workshops and panel discussions surrounding trends and issues that impact HBCUs and/or predominately Black colleges and universities, as well as the community at large. "The Annual Hall of Fame Weekend Conference provides an opportunity for attendees to exchange information and gain vital tools to strengthen the African American community," says **Thomas W. Dortch, Jr., Chairman and Founder**, National Black College Alumni Hall of Fame, Inc. "Our goal is to help preserve the legacy of our HBCUs."

The 25th Annual Hall of Fame Weekend celebration will feature numerous events for the entire family, including its signature **Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony** on Friday, September 24, 2010 at The Hyatt Regency Atlanta, hosted by **Mrs. April Woodard, Senior Correspondent, Inside Edition**. The Induction Ceremony honors HBCU alumni who have achieved excellence in the fields of The Arts, Athletics, Business, Community Service, Faith and Theology, Government, Industry, Law, Medicine and Science, in addition to bestowing Lifetime Achievement awards. Past inductees have included luminaries such as Oprah Winfrey, Rev. Dr. Joseph Lowery, Ambassador Andrew Young, Dr. Johnetta Cole, Kenny Leon and Emmanuel Lewis. This year's inductees are Cecil J. Williams, Jethro T. Pugh, Dr. Lonnie G. Johnson, Dr. Jasper Salmond, Rev. Dr. Calvin O. Butts, III, General Russell L. Honore' (Ret.), Willie A. Deese, The Honorable Curtis L. Collier, Julian Bond, Dr. N. Joyce Payne, Dr. Samuel D. Jolley, Jr. Dr. John E. Maupin, Jr., and Goldie S. Byrd, Ph.D.

Additional weekend events are the **Annual Competition of Black College Queens** on Saturday, September 25, 2010, hosted by Judge Glenda Hatchett, the **Black College Invitational Golf Tournament** to be held at Browns Mill Golf Course, and the **Legacy Lecture Series** which covers a range of topics that effect HBCU's, from sustainability and competitiveness to technology and fundraising. The weekend is capped by **The Black College Gospel Choir Competition**, hosted by Bishop Eddie L. Long and Ambassador Dr. Bobby Jones at New Birth Missionary Baptist Church on Sunday, September 26, 2010.

For more information about the HOF weekend activities visit the www.nbcahof.org.

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