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### **The National Black College Alumni Hall of Fame Announces Legacy Lecture Series at Miles College**

ATLANTA, GEORGIA (January 21, 2009) - - **The Board of Directors** of the **National Black College Alumni Hall of Fame (Hall of Fame)** are pleased to announce their **Legacy Lecture Series Monday, January 26, 2009** on the campus of **Miles College, Pearson Hall**, 5500 Myron Massey Boulevard, Fairfield, Alabama. The **Legacy Reception** will begin at **5:00 PM** with the **Legacy Lecture Series** beginning at **6:00 PM**.

The theme of the 2009 Legacy Lecture Series is ***“Decision ’08: Now What?”*** The Moderator is **KISS 98.7 FM’s Chris Coleman**. Panelists will include: **The Honorable William Bell, Jefferson County Board of Commissioners; Thomas W. Dortch, Jr., Founder and Chairman, NBCAHOF; Actress, Singer and Writer Napiera Groves; and Jeff Johnson, Host of BET’s popular half hour news program, The Truth.**

“The Legacy Lecture Series was developed out of a commitment by our Board of Directors to build a stronger bridge and link between our past Hall of Fame inductees, corporate and community partners, students and alumni of HBCUs, as well as the community at large,” stated **Hall of Fame Founder and Chairman Thomas W. Dortch, Jr.** “Given the tremendous diversity, skill, and experiences of our inductees, this series will afford an opportunity for our next generation of leaders to meet and interact with individuals who once walked their paths, while simultaneously promoting the viability of our HBCUs.”

The series of lectures features speakers with the ability to speak to diverse audiences consisting of students, alumni, corporate and community leaders, and other university stakeholders. The Hall of Fame’s goal is to allow the public to view and highlight the collective contributions and accomplishments of all HBCUs.

#### **About the National Black College Alumni Hall of Fame Foundation, Inc.**

The Council of National Alumni Associations (CNAA) established the National Black College Alumni Hall of Fame Foundation (Hall of Fame) as a 501(c)3 in 1985, to create awareness and interest in the achievements of HBCU alumni, students and the

community. The Hall of Fame under the leadership of its Founder and Chairman, Thomas W. Dortch, Jr., formed its mission around assisting alumni associations, students and other organizations as they work to ensure the survival and stability of the nation's Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs).

The National Black College Alumni Hall of Fame Foundation, Inc., headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia is governed by a 24 member board of directors made up of education, community and business leaders. Three major programs of the National Black College Alumni Hall of Fame Foundation are 1) The Positive Image Program, which is designed to introduce elementary, middle and high school students to the heritage and significance of HBCUs, 2) the Legacy Lecture Series which links Hall of Fame Inductees, HBCU students and alumni, and community and business leaders in an effective free exchange, and 3) The National Scholarship Service which provides information exchange between students and college representatives through one on one sessions in College Fairs held over 30 cities. For more information on the Hall of Fame, visit: [www.nbcahof.org](http://www.nbcahof.org) or call (404) 524-1106.

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