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MEDIA ADVISORY

WHAT:

The National Gallery of Art (NGA) is hosting a Special Tribute and Black-tie Dinner and Reception in honor of the Founding and Retiring Members of the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC). This event is a part of the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation's (CBCF) 20th Annual Legislative Weekend.

WHEN:

Wednesday, September 26, 1990 Working Press Arrival -- Begins at 6:30 p.m. Reception begins at 7:00 p.m., followed by dinner and a program with speakers and a videotape tribute to retiring CBC members Augustus F. Hawkins (CA), Walter E. Fauntroy (DC), and George Crockett (MI).

WHERE:

National Gallery of Art, East Building 4th Street and Constitution Ave., N.W.

SPEAKERS: Welcome by J. Carter Brown, director, NGA; Occasion and Acknowledgements by CBC member Kweisi Mfume (MD); Invocation by CBC member The Rev. Edolphus Towns (NY); Greetings by CBC member Alan Wheat (MO) and founding CBC member Ronald Dellums (CA); Presentation of Awards by founding CBC members John Conyers, Jr. (MI) and William L. Clay (MO); Music by Noel Pointer, violinist, and Dr. Carol Yampolsky, pianist.

GUESTS:

Some 500 invited guests include: NGA Trustee John R. Stevenson; (See retiring and founding CBC members and speakers above.); Founding CBC members Augustus F. Hawkins (CA), Charles B. Rangel (NY), and Louis Stokes (OH); Retired CBC founding members Shirley Chisholm (NY), Charles C. Diggs (MI), and Parren Mitchell (MD); and many CBC members and other Congressional leaders.

Others include: Ronald Brown, Democratic National Committee; Sharon Pratt Dixon, DC mayoral candidate; Benjamin L Hooks, NAACP; Dr. Dorothy Height, National Coalition of Negro Women; Jesse Jackson, National Rainbow Coalition; Melba Moore, singer/actress; Eleanor Holmes Norton, DC congressional candidate; former founding CBC member Andrew Young.

CONTACT:

TO COVER THIS EVENT ALL PRESS MUST REGISTER WITH DEBORAH ZISKA NOT LATER THAN 5:00 PM, TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 1990. CALL (202) 842-6353.