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**NATIONAL URBAN FELLOWS TO HOST VIP RECEPTION  
AS PART OF THE 2007 CONGRESSIONAL BLACK CAUCUS EVENTS**

**Reception Held to Introduce the Country's Top Leadership Development  
Organization to the Nation's Top Leaders**

Washington, DC -- (September 13, 2007) -- National Urban Fellows, Inc. (NUF) and its Washington, DC, area alumni, will host a VIP Reception in conjunction with the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC) on Thursday evening, September 27, 2007, from 6:00 until 8:00 PM. The evening's event being held to acquaint Washington, DC, leadership with one of the country's top leadership development organizations, will be held at the Grand Hyatt Washington, located at 1000 H. Street, NW, Washington, DC.

The reception evening is also being held to celebrate the accomplishments of distinguished alumni and reception hosts, Shirley Dabney Haulsey (class of '86) and Larry King (class of '79), and to recruit potential, mid-career women and men of color for the NUF Fellowship Program.

The National Urban Fellows (NUF) fellowship is an intensive 14-month graduate degree program through Bernard M. Baruch College, School of Public Affairs in New York. The fellowship is comprised of academic course work and a nine-month mentorship assignment with a senior-level partnering government agency, not-for-profit organization or private company. Fellows completing the program receive a Master of Public Administration degree and invaluable experience learning from leaders across the country.

National Urban Fellows has prepared over 1000 multiethnic, multicultural women and men for leadership in policy making positions within government, nonprofit and philanthropic sectors. Recent statistics show the growing numbers of individuals of color who make up the U.S. population.

"This increase in diversity calls for leadership that more accurately represents the rapidly changing population." Paula Gavin, President of NUF said. "We will continue to create leaders who can meet the challenges of a changing America." Gavin concluded by adding, "We are honored to be here in our nation's capitol during the annual Congressional Black Caucus weekend, among many of our country's best and brightest leaders, with whom we share a commitment to the empowerment of accomplished and courageous leaders, who possess a strong commitment to equity and social justice."

**About National Urban Fellows**

*National Urban Fellows was founded in 1969 in response to women and men and women of color who have historically faced challenges in their advancement to high level management and who more than ever are entitled and deserving of leadership. Forty years later, National Urban Fellows remains the country's foremost leadership development organization and the major advocate of diverse national leaders, prompting the imperative to achieve accomplished and courageous leadership diversity in our nation, in pursuit of social justice.*

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