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WHUR HONORS DR. KING DAY WITH MEETING ON RACE RELATIONS *Urban Radio Station Hosts Conversation to Mark Dr. King Holiday*

Washington, D.C., (January 10) - Howard University's WHUR 96.3 FM will honor the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. with a day of dialogue Monday, January 21, the national holiday recognizing the slain civil rights leader's birthday. Following the station's participation in a clothing drive at Howard University, WHUR will host a town hall meeting on race relations from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Glenarden Ministry Center, located at 3600 Brightseat Road in Landover, Maryland.

The town hall meeting entitled "Race, Creed, and Color: What Happened to Race Relations in America," comes on the heels of two recent national reports showing hate crimes in the U.S. are on the rise. Additionally, a study conducted by New America Media and nine founding ethnic media partners has concluded serious tensions among the largest ethnic groups in America. "We hope to have an open honest discussion among various ethnic and religious groups with a goal of working together to close the divide that obviously is still very present in America," said WHUR General Manager Jim Watkins.

The town hall meeting will feature a panel from various ethnic and religious groups, representing the diversity of the Washington Metropolitan community. "We think it is appropriate to hold these two events on the day honoring Dr. King, whose life embodied service and tolerance," added Watkins. The town hall meeting will be moderated by WHUR radio personality Patrick Ellis and WHUR newsman Herman Washington and is open to the public.

About WHUR

WHUR-FM (96.3) the flagship radio station of Howard University, is Washington's only stand alone radio station and one of the few University-owned commercial radio stations in America, broadcasting since 1971 to nearly a half million listeners daily in five states and can now be heard around the globe on the web at whur.com. The first radio station in the Washington area to broadcast in HD, WHUR is the recipient of numerous awards including the 2005 winner of the prestigious NAB Crystal and Marconi.

About Howard University

Howard University is a private, research university that is comprised of 12 schools and colleges. Founded in 1867, students pursue studies in more than 120 areas leading to undergraduate, graduate and professional degrees. Since 1998, the University has produced two Rhodes Scholars, a Truman Scholar, a Marshall Scholar, 19 Fulbright Scholars and 11 Pickering Fellows. Howard also produces more on-campus African-American Ph.D. recipients than any other university in the United States. For more information on Howard University, call 202-238-2330, or visit the University's Web site at www.Howard.edu.

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Note to the Media: Confirmed panelists to date include:

- Dr. Greg Carr – Howard University Professor of Afro-American Studies
 - Ellie Gunderson – Georgetown University NAACP (first white student to head the University's civil rights group)
 - Angela Arboleda – Director, Civil Rights and Criminal Justice Policy for the National Council of LaRaza
 - Ron Haliber-Executive Director of Jewish Community Relations Council
 - Nadhira Khali – Legal Counsel for the Council on American Islamic Relations (CAIR)
 - Deepa Iyer – Executive Director for South Asian American Leaders of Tomorrow
 - Deacon William Jones – Retired U.S. Air Force, First Baptist Church of Glenarden
 - Laila Al Qatami – Communications Director for American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee
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