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DIALOGUE ON DIVERSITY HOSTS 2008 PUBLIC POLICY FORUM: HOUSING, IMMIGRATION, EDUCATION: THE HUMAN INFRASTRUCTURE

WASHINGTON, D.C. - **Dialogue on Diversity** presents the 2008 edition of the **Public Policy Forum**, entitled *The Heat Comes Early: Civil Discourse in a Contentious Year*. The Forum purpose is to convene people of many cultures all working for a reasoned civic consciousness and for economic viability through entrepreneurship. This year three basic topic areas dominate the agenda: Housing, Immigration and Education.

WHERE: Gold Room (2168), Rayburn House Office Building on Capitol Hill.

WHEN: Thursday, March 6, 2008, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND: Women Entrepreneurs and Professionals, Members of Women's Organizations, Students and Congressional Staff, Interested Citizens, all Friends of Dialogue on Diversity.

In each of these three policy realms a panel of scholars, private and public sector experts, advocates, members of the Congress, and public officials come together to analyze the social, economic, and policy dimensions.

- Co-hosted with the Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute (CHCI) the housing panel takes up the continuing mortgage crisis. With foreclosure rates still climbing, the Forum will explore the future of the borrowers in distress, and will outline a range of immediate measures urgently required to stabilize the housing sector.
- Immigration experts will fit the present facts of economic life and civic existence into the historic framework of a society of immigrants, assessing the prospects for legislative changes, and analyzing the likely effects of these changes on recent and future newcomers within our borders.
- With only a small percentage of minorities graduating from college, and while many high school graduates are little outfitted to take on productive roles in society, think tank experts and members of Congress join to review the critical problems of the American educational system and to sketch a role for imaginative public policy measures to solve them.

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Dialogue on Diversity, a network of women and men of the country's diverse ethnic and cultural communities -- entrepreneurs, professionals, and workers from the non-profit and public service worlds -- offers a yearly cycle of forums, conferences, and symposia, capped by a stellar awards program, all with a focus on sharpening a civic consciousness on essential public policy issues, and on achieving economic viability through skilled entrepreneurship. The Dialogue is a non-profit §501(c)(3) organization. For further information visit www.dialogueondiversity.org

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