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Press Release

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25 Powerful Minority Women in Business Awards Luncheon 2008

Washington, D.C. (September 5, 2008) - Minority Enterprise Executive Council (MEEC) in cooperation with **RPH Enterprises, Prudence International Magazine, BMW of Sterling, Omega Technologies, and Alternative Telecommunications Solutions**, will host its 4th Annual Awards Luncheon to honor 25 Powerful Minority Women In Business, theme: "*Applauding Excellence.*" This event is scheduled for Friday, September 12, 2008 and will be held at The Omni Shoreham Hotel located at 2500 Calvert Street, NW, in Washington, D.C. 20008 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Special guest, **Jimmie Lee Solomon**, Executive Vice President, Baseball Operations, Major League Baseball (MLB) is our co-chair. Mr. Solomon serves MLB in a variety of operational capacities and has overseen the launches of several important MLB initiatives.

Our keynote speaker is the Honorable **Eleanor Holmes Norton** (D-DC). Congresswoman Norton has stood as a powerful advocate for women and human rights for many years. She is the chair of the House Committee on Economic Development, Emergency Management, and Public Buildings.

Guest speaker, the Honorable **Lurita Doan**, (formerly Administrator, U.S. General Services Administration), host of **Leadership Matters** on Federal News Radio AM 1500.

Our mistress of ceremonies, **Maureen Bunyan**, a veteran television news broadcaster for ABC 7, will host the event along with **Roger Campos**, President and CEO of the Minority Business RoundTable (www.MBRT.net). MBRT provides a forum for CEO's of minority-owned businesses to address public policy issues.

Special guests: Senator **Carl Levin**; Congressman **Gregory Meeks**; former UN Ambassador, **Donald F. McHenry** and Nigerian Minister for Trade and Investment, **Ms. Laraba Bhutto**.

Some of the honorees are **Gina Ferguson Adams**, Senior Vice President, Government Affairs, FedEx Corporation; **LaSonya Berry**, President/CEO, McPherson, Berry & Associates; **Cynthia Dinkins**, Executive Consultant; **Gail Dolman-Smith**, President/CEO, Paragon TEC, Inc.; **Dr. Oluyemisi Famuyiwa**, Reproductive Endocrinologist/Medical Director, Montgomery Fertility Center; **Dr. Rochelle E. Hackley**, CEO/DDS, Rochelle E. Hackley DDS Family & Cosmetic Dentistry; **Gloria Herndon**, President, GB Herndon & Associates, Inc.; **Dr. Tamara Garrett-Kinion**, President, Arlington Dental Solutions; **Renu Johri**, CEO, Integral Consulting Services, Inc.; **Michelle Lee**, President, STG International; **Wendy Lewis**, Vice President, Strategic Planning, Recruitment and Diversity, Major League Baseball; **Deepthi Malhotra**, CEO, VMD Systems Integrators; **Joyce Anne Moorehead**, President, Moorehead Properties, Inc.; **Charlotte V.M. Ottley**, Executive Market Development Strategist, C. Ottley New Directions; **Zina Pierre**, President, Washington Linkage Group; **Jacqueline Rosa**, Executive Director, Morgan Stanley; **Gisel Ruiz**, Vice President & Regional General Manager, Wal-Mart Stores; **Ola Sage**, President, e-Management, Inc.; **Nancy Scott**, President, Powertek Corporation; **Dr. Paula Shaw**, President, Altos Federal Group; **Rohini Solos**, President, Net2Net Solutions; **Donna Stallings**, President, Sync Technologies, Inc.; **Maria Thompson**, President, A123 Systems' Government Solutions Group; **Yolanda Maria Welch**, CEO, Respira Medical, Inc.; **Dr. Mary Wu**, President, Wu Consulting, LLC.

There will be a lavish lunch served and live entertainment by pianist **Jim Ballard**. Individual seating is \$250. A corporate table of 10 is \$2,500. Call public affairs at (703) 730-4091 for more details about the event.

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