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THE WHITE HOUSE ANNOUNCES REGIONAL FINALISTS FOR THE 2008-2009 WHITE HOUSE FELLOWSHIPS

WASHINGTON, March 3, 2008 – The White House today announced that 97 outstanding men and women from across the country have been selected as Regional Finalists for the White House Fellows Program – the Nation's most prestigious program for leadership and public service. This year's Regional Finalists come from 26 states, as well as the District of Columbia. They represent a broad cross-section of professions, including technology, education, health care, state government, engineering, business, consulting, law and the non-profit sector. Additionally, five branches of the military are represented among the Regional Finalists. A complete list of the Regional Finalists is attached below.

During March and April 2008, Regional Finalists participate in a rigorous interview process. Based on the results of the interviews, approximately thirty candidates will be named National Finalists. The President's Commission on White House Fellowships will interview the National Finalists in June 2008 and then recommend candidates to President George W. Bush for a one-year appointment as White House Fellows.

The White House Fellows Program was founded in 1964 by President Lyndon B. Johnson. This non-partisan program offers exceptional men and women first-hand experience working at the highest levels of the Federal government. Fellows also participate in an education program consisting of roundtable discussions with renowned leaders from the private and public sectors. Following the Fellowship year, Fellows are expected to repay the privilege by contributing to the Nation as better leaders and public servants.

Selection as a White House Fellow is highly competitive and based on a record of remarkable professional achievement early in one's career, evidence of leadership potential, a proven commitment to public service, and the knowledge and skills necessary to contribute successfully at the highest levels of the Federal government. Throughout its history, the program has fostered leaders in many fields including Secretary of Labor Elaine Chao, Former Secretary of State Colin Powell, United Nations Foundation President and Former U.S. Senator Timothy Wirth, Pulitzer Prize-winning author and historian Doris Kearns Goodwin, U.S. Army General Wesley Clark, U.S. Senator Samuel Brownback, Congressman Joe Barton, Dr. Sanjay Gupta, TV Medical Correspondent, and Marshall Carter, Chairman, New York Stock Exchange.

Additional information about the Program is located at www.whitehouse.gov/fellows.

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2008-2009 White House Fellows Regional Finalists

Christopher G. Adams, U.S. Navy; Alexandria, VA

Brian M. Alexander, Harvard Radiation Oncology Program; Boston, MA

Julie M. Anderson, IBM; Washington, DC

Justin V. Anderson, King's College London; Falls Church, VA

Margaret B. Angell, Boston Public Schools; Boston, MA

Michael Bahar, U.S. Navy; New York, NY

James L. Ballas, U.S. Air Force; Washington, DC

Michael J. Baumgartner, U.S. Embassy Baghdad; Pullman, WA

J. Scott Beale, Atlas Service Corps Inc.; Mechanicsville, VA

Douglas A. Beck, Charles Schwab; California, CA

Greg Behrman, Harvard Kennedy School of Government; Essex, CT

Paul R. Birch, U.S. Air Force; Goldsboro, NC

Maximilian K. Bremer, U.S. Air Force; Derby, KS

R. Eli Bremer, U.S. Air Force; Colorado Springs, CO

Paula D. Broadwell, Tufts University Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy; Cambridge, MA

R. Erich Caulfield, McKinsey and Company; New York, NY

Jay J. Chaudhuri, North Carolina Department of Justice; Raleigh, NC

Julian C. Cheater, U.S. Air Force; Prattville, AL

Craig C. Colucci, U.S. Army; Kansas City, MO

David W. Cooper, U.S. Coast Guard; Waldorf, MD

LaShawn M. Curtis, University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public Health; Pittsburgh, PA

Barry E. "Chip" Daniels, U.S. Army; Harker Heights, TX

Michael L. Davis, JP Morgan Asset Management; Dallas, TX

Jean-Christophe de Swaan, Sansar Capital Management; New York, NY

John C. Dettleff, U.S. Coast Guard; Wilmington, NC

Gregory A. Diephouse, Illinois Department of Human Services; Chicago, IL

Gabriel J. Esparza, American Express Company; New York, NY

Mark E. Farrell, Thomas Weisel Partners; San Francisco, CA

Deborah T. Fleischaker, American Bar Association; Silver Spring, MD

Daniel A. Fletcher, University of California, Berkeley; Berkeley, CA

A. Chris Gajilan, CNN; Montclair, NJ

Walid F. Gellad, Brigham and Women's Hospital; Brookline, MA

John A. Giandoni, Invertix Corporation; Woodbridge, VA

Joseph K. Goodwin, General Electric; Concord, MA

J. Nadine Gracia, Children's Hospital of Philadelphia; Philadelphia, PA

Sheila M. Gulati, Microsoft Corporation; Seattle, WA

Parag Gupta, Schwab Foundation: Geneva, Switzerland

Sarah A. Harris, Emmis Communications; Indianapolis, IN

Michael Hayes, U.S. Navy; Virginia Beach, VA

Caroline E. Heldman, Occidental College; Los Angeles, CA

Molly J. Hellerman, Sports Challenge Alliance; Chicago, IL

Amy M. Hermalik, Bret Harte Middle School; Redondo Beach, CA

Scott M. Hines, Beau Monde Management Group; Palm Springs, CA

Hudson T. Hollister, Latham and Watkins; Chicago, IL

James P. Hughes, U.S. Air Force; Sanford, NC

Danielle A. Iuliano, Harvard Kennedy School of Government; Cambridge, MA

Priya H. Jaisinghani, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation; Seattle, WA

Sarita James, New York City Economic Development Commission; Brooklyn, NY

Ryan M. Janovic, U.S. Army; Alexandria, VA

Christina M. Jordan, Transwestern Commercial Services; Dallas, TX

David A. Kaufman, Ball Aerospace; Louisville, CO

Mandy B. Krauthamer, Massachusetts General Hospital; Boston, MA

Richard E. Lebron, U.S. Navy; Fredericksburg, VA

Rodney D. Lewis, U.S. Air Force; Alexandria, VA

David J. Loaiza, Los Alamos National Laboratory; Santa Fe, NM

Casey J. Lucius, Hanoi University; Hanoi, Vietnam

Martin A. Makary, Johns Hopkins University; Arlington, VA

Julio A. Marenco, New Jersey Department of Corrections; North Bergen, NJ

John McCareins, Northern Trust Global Advisors; Stamford, CT

Jane A. McIntosh, Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts; New York, NY

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Marc G. Olsen, Taylor Consulting Group; Atlanta, GA

K. Shiek Pal, Mayer Brown LLP; Arlington, VA

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Michelle A. Pearce, U.S. Air Force; McLean, VA

Zeb Portanova, Lions Gate Development; Sarasota, FL

Russell S. Porter, IBM Corporation; Pozeulo de Alarcon, Spain

Vikas Parbhakar, MVM Venture Capital; Boston, MA

Sujit Raman, Hogan and Hartson LLP; Washington, DC

David L. Rawlinson, Harvard Business School; Rock Hill, SC

Sarah Rhoads, U.S. Navy; Middletown, RI

Gyasi Ross, Port Madison Enterprises; Poulsbo, WA

Todd A. Schmidt, U.S. Army; Burke, VA

George N. Schwartz, U.S. Air Force; Niceville, FL

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Jeffrey P. Stone, The Gores Group; Santa Monica, CA

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