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## **BLACK MAYORS CONVENE IN** PHILADELPHIA

ATLANTA, Ga.-Providing incentives to welfare recipients to attend college is one of the many issues black mayors are expected to address during the upcoming convention of the National Conference of Black Mayors, Inc. (NCBM).

On June 15-18, over 200 black mayors are expected to meet in Philadelphia for NCBM's 14th Annual Convention. The theme, Balancing Economics With Human Resource Development, will provide the impetus for a series of workshops and special sessions, designed to focus conferees' attention on the necessity of striking a balance between capital improvements and peopleoriented programs.

At least 15 resolutions will be considered for approval at the Annual Business Meeting, covering issues from energy resource development to expanded funding for research and education on AIDS. Throughout the convention, prominent speakers and entertainers are scheduled to appear, including C. Delores Tucker, former Secretary of State for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; Malvin R. Goode, veteran journalist and broadcaster for the National Black Network; and actor, Clifton Davis, star of the hit TV show, "Amen"; Presiden-tial candidates, Vice President George Bush, Governor Michael Dukakis and Reverend Jesse Jackson, have been invited to speak, also.

A highlight of the convention this year includes Youth Day, hosted by Mayor Wilson Goode's teenage children. The day will feature workshops and activities for visiting youths on Friday, June 17, 1988. Several mayors are bringing youth delegations from their cities and towns to the convention to participate in this special event.

Several awards will be presented at the organization's annual Fannie Lou Hamer Freedom Award and President's luncheons to individuals who have excelled in their fields. Among the awardees are Richard G. Hatcher, former mayor of Gary, Indiana, Ottiwell Simmons, president of the Bermuda Industrial Union, and Brigadier General F.A. Gorden, top-ranking black at West Point.

The mayors are scheduled to engage in dialogue with a Mayors Delegation from the Republican of Guyana on consummating prospective sister cities relationships, cultural and educational exchanges, and



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