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100 BLACK MEN OF NORTH METRO, INC. SPONSOR
Presidential Mock Debate and Community Perspective Forum

(Atlanta, Georgia, September 22, 2008) - The Board of Directors and members of **100 Black Men of North Metro, Inc.**, in conjunction with an **AARP** multiple-year partnership, will sponsor a Metro-wide **Presidential Mock Debate and Community Perspective Forum**. *"In Their Own Words"* a Mock Candidate Forum, is scheduled **Saturday, October 4, 2008, from 10:00 AM until 2:30 PM**. The location is **Central Gwinnett High School, 564 West Crogan Street, Lawrenceville, Georgia 30045**.

With more than 600,000 people in the State of Georgia who are not registered to vote, this year's historic election is crucial and it creates a need to educate unregistered voters on the importance of voting as well as informing them of the candidates. In addition to the student mentees who will present a "mock" debate capitalizing upon candidate-verified data points on many of the significant issues, the Community Forum will feature a panel of experts recognized in their respective fields.

The panel will include representatives from **AARP; 100 Black Men of America, Inc.; 100 Black Men of North Metro, Inc.; the State Republican Office and the State Democratic Office** will participate and discuss the major impact of health care access, health inequities, economic security, a challenged educational system and numerous additional topics, particularly those topics of interest to those of us in the Southeast. Attendees will have an opportunity to ask questions of the panel following their presentation and voice their opinions regarding "solutions" to these issues.

There will be a third party organization available to facilitate a voter registration drive in advance of the **Monday, October 6, 2008 voter registration deadline**. Nearly 300 students, families, AARP members and sponsors from the North Metro Atlanta and Gwinnett County areas are expected to attend.

A **complimentary lunch** will be served to all attendees and program participants. Attendees will also have an opportunity to win one of the many and **exciting door prizes**, including **two flat screen televisions**.

AARP

AARP is a nonprofit, nonpartisan membership organization for people age 50 and over. AARP is dedicated to enhancing quality of life for all as we age. We lead positive social change and deliver value to members through information, advocacy and service. AARP also provides a wide range of unique benefits, special products, and services for our members. These benefits include AARP Web site at www.aarp.org, "AARP The Magazine," the monthly "AARP Bulletin," and a Spanish-language newspaper, "Segunda Juventud." Active in every state, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands, AARP celebrates the attitude that age is just a number and life is what you make it.

The 100 Black Men of North Metro, Inc.

The 100 Black Men of North Metro, Inc., a subsidiary organization of The 100 Black Men of America, Inc. is nonpartisan organization committed to direct service and advocacy for improved life

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opportunities for African American youth specifically, and the African American community and larger community overall. Members of the 100 Black Men of North Metro, Inc. all share the common goal of improving the economic status of our communities as well as providing programs that enhance and enrich the lives of youth in Cobb, Gwinnett and North Fulton counties. The activities of the organization are grouped into four programmatic categories known as "Four for the Future." These initiatives are Mentoring, Education, Economic Development and Health & Wellness.

For more information regarding the 100 Black Men of the North Metro, Inc., please visit our website at www.northmetro100.org

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