



TEXAS DIVERSITY COUNCIL

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DALLAS—March 12, 2010— Corporate executives, community leaders and experts will gather in Dallas April 7 to discuss a variety of topics pertaining to the diverse communities in Texas during the third Annual Multicultural Summit. The event will be held from 8:15 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Hilton Dallas/Rockwall Lakefront.

Leaders from the community, businesses and academia will focus on this year's theme, *The Power of Standing Together*, as they explore overarching issues affecting the African-American, Asian-American, Hispanic/Latino, and gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender (GLBT) communities. Keynote speaker for the multicultural luncheon will be Pat Harris, global chief diversity officer at McDonald's Corporation LLC.

"We invite the Texas community to join us at this year's Multicultural Summit as we engage in a constructive dialogue to continue to advance diverse voices in our state," said summit chair Robb Puckett, independent management consultant. "The event will offer participants the opportunity to explore a variety of cultural perspectives and learn about leading diversity best practices in Texas."

Participants will be able to attend sessions focusing on mentoring for African Americans, the value of personal branding for Asian professionals, Latinos strategizing for success, and legislation impacting the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender (GLBT) community among many others. "We are excited to have speakers representing various industries as well as the educational and nonprofits sectors," Puckett said. "Their knowledge and expertise will allow summit attendees to gain a better understanding of the most pressing issues affecting multicultural communities in Texas."

The Third Annual Multicultural Summit is hosted by the Texas Diversity Council. "My hope is that the summit will continue to stimulate dialogue about issues of importance to the diverse communities of Texas," said Dennis Kennedy, founder and CEO of the council. "Through dialogue, communities are able to explore solutions and bring about positive change."

For more information or to register for the Multicultural Summit, visit www.texasdiversityconference.com/summitwelcome.htm. For more information on the Texas Diversity and Leadership Conference, visit www.texasdiversityconference.com.