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E.L. Haynes Public Charter School Marks Grand Opening with Ribbon Cutting Ceremony Mayor Fenty to Participate in Celebration of New Facility

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E.L. Haynes Public Charter School will host a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony with DC Mayor Adrian Fenty on Friday, November 7 at 3:00 PM to celebrate the completion of its new facility. The event will take place in the gymnasium of the new building, which is located at 3600 Georgia Avenue, NW. Members of the press are encouraged to attend; to RSVP, please contact Julie Anne Green by phone at 202-667-4446 or by email at jgreen@elhaynes.org.

The Ribbon Cutting Ceremony will feature DC Poet Laureate Dolores Kendrick. The recipient of numerous awards and honors, Ms. Kendrick was mentored by E.L. Haynes' namesake, Dr. Euphemia Lofton Haynes.

The school's new 46,000 square foot building will serve 468 students in grades Pre-K through 8th grade by 2010. The facility features two large, bright classrooms for each grade, a gymnasium, a cafeteria/auditorium, and designated rooms for science, music, and art. Ground was broken on the project in March 2007 and the facility was completed in June 2008.

About E.L. Haynes

E.L. Haynes Public Charter School was founded in 2004 and has a program based on nationally-recognized best practices for advancing student achievement. At the core of the school's program is the unwavering belief that every student, regardless of race, socioeconomic status, or home language, is capable of reaching high levels of academic performance. In 2008-2009, E.L. Haynes will serve 376 students in grades Pre-K through 6 and will grow, adding a grade each year, until it serves 650 students in grades Pre-K through 12. The school is the first year-round public school in Washington, DC and is named for Dr. Euphemia Lofton Haynes, the first African-American woman to receive a doctorate in mathematics, a teacher in the District of Columbia's school system for 47 years, and the first woman to serve as President of the District of Columbia Board of Education. In April 2008, E.L. Haynes was chosen from DC's 56 charter schools as the winner of Fight for Children's first-ever Quality Schools Initiative Award. For more information, please visit www.elhaynes.org.