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CHARLES V. MCPHILLIPS NAMED CHAIR OF THE 53rd ANNUAL HUMANITARIAN AWARDS DINNER

VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA – Charles V. McPhillips has been named chair of the 2017 Humanitarian Awards Dinner by the Tidewater Chapter of the Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities. The awards celebration honors individuals and organizations who have made significant humanitarian contributions to the South Hampton Roads community. This 53rd presentation of the awards will be held on March 30, 2017, at The Westin Virginia Beach Town Center.

Charles V. McPhillips was born and raised in Norfolk, where his wife, Theresa, and he make their home. In 1982, Chuck graduated from Hampden-Sydney College where he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa, and received his JD from the University of Virginia Law School in 1985 (Order of the Coif). He is a partner with Kaufman & Canoles, P.C.

Chuck is in his fourth year as President of the Greater Norfolk Corporation. He also serves on the Board of Trustees of Hampden-Sydney College and the Norfolk Board of Directors of TowneBank.

Chuck served as Founding Chairman of Saint Patrick Catholic School, where he continues to serve as a Director. He has just concluded eight years of service as Chairman of the McMahan-Parater Foundation, an affiliate of the Diocese of Richmond supporting Catholic education throughout the Diocese. Chuck is also a Director of the Barry Robinson Center, a Catholic residential program helping children overcome emotional and behavioral health troubles. He also serves on the Tidewater Chapter of the Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities and the Board of Directors of the Bishop Sullivan Catholic High School Foundation. Chuck is the immediate Past President of The Norfolk Forum. From 2003 to 2005, he presided over the Board of Trustees of the Virginia Stage Company.

In 2013, Chuck was appointed by the Norfolk City Council to serve on the Mayor's Commission on Poverty Reduction. He also served on the Workforce Development Study Group of the Hampton Roads Community Foundation. For his many community contributions, Chuck received VCIC's Humanitarian Award in 2014.

The Humanitarian Awards are presented annually in communities across the state by the Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities. Begun in Tidewater in 1965, when the organization was part of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, the Humanitarian Awards honor individuals who have demonstrated a commitment to the promotion of respect and understanding among people of diverse racial, ethnic, and religious backgrounds.

For 82 years, the Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities has been addressing prejudices, in all forms in order to improve academic achievement, increase workplace productivity, and enhance local trust. Today through workshops, retreats, and customized programs, VCIC works with schools, businesses, and communities to achieve success through inclusion. For more information about the organization or the event, go to www.inclusiveVA.org.

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