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ALEXIS N. SWANN NAMED CHAIR OF THE 48th ANNUAL PENINSULA HUMANITARIAN AWARDS DINNER

HAMPTON, VIRGINIA - The Peninsula Chapter of the Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities announces that **Alexis N. Swann** will serve as the chair of the 48th Annual Humanitarian Awards Dinner to be held on Thursday, February 25, 2016, at the Newport News Marriott Hotel at City Center. The awards dinner is being presented in association with The Daily Press. Ms. Swann will assume the leadership role in honoring individuals who have made significant humanitarian contributions to the Greater Peninsula region.

Alexis Swann is the Business Banking Manager and Market President for the Peninsula Virginia region of Wells Fargo. Alexis brings over 20 years of experience in the financial services industry. As part of The Business Bank, Alexis manages a team of experienced bankers that help businesses in the market meet their banking, cash management, and financial planning needs. Alexis earned a Bachelors Degree in Marketing from Howard University and is a 1993 graduate from the College of William & Mary with a MBA in finance. She also holds her CFP designation. Active in her community, Alexis serves as a board member of the Christopher Newport University School of Business Advisory Board, the Jamestown Yorktown Foundation, and the Newport News Police Foundation. She has held many board appointments in the past years to include the Peninsula Habitat for Humanity, Black Chamber of Commerce, and the Urban League Guild. Alexis is also a member of Delta Sigma Theta – a public service sorority was an active part of the financial empowerment ministry at Ivy Baptist Church. A strong advocate for financial literacy, Alexis volunteers her time doing presentations in fairs, schools, and expos within the market. Over the years, Alexis has been recognized in the community. She received a Woman in Business Award in the category of Finance by the Inside Business Magazine and the YWCA "Women of Distinction Award." Alexis in resides in Yorktown, VA with her husband, Darren and two children, Mikaela and Chandler.

The Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities works with schools, businesses, and communities to achieve success by addressing prejudices, in all forms, in order to improve academic achievement, increase workplace productivity, and enhance local trust. Through workshops, retreats, and customized programs that raise knowledge, motivation, and skills, VCIC develops leaders who work together to achieve success throughout Virginia. The 80-year-old organization delivers programs to educators and students in Hampton, Newport News, Williamsburg/James City County, and York through its Project Inclusion and Diversity Dialogue Day programs, as well as professional development workshops for schools through the Educational Equity Initiative.

For more information about the organization or the event, contact Jonathan Zur, CEO, or the staff at 804-515-7950. Information about the Dinner may also be found online at www.inclusiveva.org/awards/humanitarian/peninsula/.