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SCOTT D. MILLER NAMED CHAIR OF THE 54th ANNUAL TIDEWATER HUMANITARIAN AWARDS DINNER

VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA – Scott D. Miller has been named chair of the 2018 Humanitarian Awards Dinner by the Tidewater Chapter of the Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities (VCIC). The awards celebration honors individuals and organizations who have made significant humanitarian contributions to the South Hampton Roads community. This 54th presentation of the awards will be held on March 22, 2018, at The Westin Virginia Beach Town Center.

Dr. Scott D. Miller is President of Virginia Wesleyan University. Respected as one of the most entrepreneurial higher education executives in America, Dr. Miller has dedicated his career to the opportunities available through education. He especially values the small, classical, liberal arts college environment that offers students personalized pathways to life and career success. He has authored or collaborated on 13 books, including "President to President: Views on Technology in Higher Education" (2010). He is a regular columnist for College Planning and Management, HuffPost, Enrollment Manager, and The Virginian-Pilot.

He is Chair of the Board of Directors of Washington, D.C.-based Academic Search, Inc. and serves as a consultant to college presidents and boards nationwide. Dr. Miller earned his B.A. degree in communications from West Virginia Wesleyan College, worked as a journalist early in his career, and completed an M.A. from the University of Dayton. He earned an Ed.S. from Vanderbilt University and a Ph.D. from The Union Institute & University.

A lifelong member of the United Methodist Church, Dr. Miller serves on the Board of Directors of the National Association of Schools, Colleges and Universities of the Methodist Church and is Chair of the Association of Educational Institutions of the Virginia Conference of the United Methodist Church. During his time as President at Bethany College from 2007 – 2015, he served on the Board of Directors of The Council of Colleges and Universities of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and was President of TCCUCC for four years.

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 83 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.