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## RICHARD W. "RICK" LOVING TO SERVE AS CHAIR OF THE 54<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL LYNCHBURG HUMANITARIAN AWARDS

LYNCHBURG, VIRGINIA - The Lynchburg Chapter of the Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities (VCIC) announces that **Richard W. "Rick" Loving** will serve as the chair for the 54<sup>th</sup> Annual Humanitarian Awards Presentation to be held on Thursday, May 26. Mr. Loving assumes the leadership role in honoring individuals who have made significant humanitarian contributions to the Central Virginia community.

Richard W. Loving is senior vice president and chief administrative officer for BWX Technologies, Inc. overseeing human resource management, diversity, equity & inclusion, communications, security and environmental health & safety functions.

Before joining BWXT in 2016 as the senior vice president, Human Resources, Mr. Loving served as the senior director of International Human Resources at McDermott Incorporated. During his tenure at McDermott, he served as the global director, HR Business Services and the senior director, Human Resources – Middle East, India & Caspian responsible for all human capital activities within the region.

Mr. Loving has more than 40 years of experience with manufacturing, energy and government operations. He began his career at Babcock and Wilcox (B&W) holding positions in safety, security, community relations and human resources across the organization.

Mr. Loving holds a Master of Arts in personnel management and a Bachelor of Arts in political science from Lynchburg College.

Mr. Loving has been actively involved in a number of professional and civic organizations in communities where he has lived to include the United Way, Habitat for Humanity, American Cancer Society, LSC Education Foundation, Central Virginia Criminal Justice Academy, Indiana Minority Supplier Development Council, USO (Dubai) and local Chambers of Commerce/ Economic Development organizations. He currently serves in leadership positions on several boards of directors including the Academy Center of the Arts, Lynchburg Police Foundation and the Virginia College Fund.

A Lynchburg native and a proud supporter of the local community, Mr. Loving recently released a children's book "Goodnight Lynchburg" highlighting historical sites in the city.

The Humanitarian Awards are presented annually in communities across the state by the Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities. Begun in Lynchburg in 1968, 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.

Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities

Founded in 1935, the Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities addresses 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 through inclusion across the Commonwealth. VCIC delivers programs to educators and students in Lynchburg and Central Virginia through professional development for local school districts, the Prejudice Awareness Summit for Central Virginia middle school students, Diversity Dialogue Day for Central Virginia high school students, and customized workshops for a number of local organizations.

For more information about the organization or the event, contact Jonathan Zur, CEO, or the VCIC staff at 804-515-7950.

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