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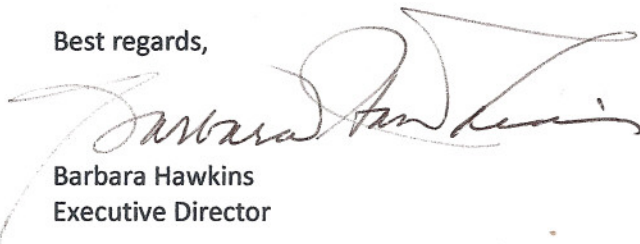
RE: James "Bird" Guess

It has been TADC's pleasure to have James "Bird" Guess as the opening session speaker for its **TADC Student Leadership Conference** on September 30, 2010. The Texas Association of Developing Colleges (TADC) extended the offer for Mr. Guess to address 100+ student leaders from the five TADC member institutions (Huston-Tillotson University, Jarvis Christian College, Paul Quinn College, Texas College and Wiley College). To say he was outstanding is an understatement and does not adequately express the evaluations from student leaders who 70% indicated "The session that had the greatest impact on me was Mr. Guess". The same response was received for the question "What session(s) had the greatest relevance to your leadership and your institution?"

His message is one that college students grasp onto and hang on throughout the entire presentation. He delivers a relevant and thought-provoking message that holds the attention of the audience. He is very dependable and prompt, as he arrived long before his presentation and remained afterwards. He was surrounded by students desiring photo opportunities with him and he graciously accommodated each of them.

It is an honor to offer this recommendation of James "Bird" Guess.

Best regards,



Barbara Hawkins
Executive Director

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