

## NEWS RELEASE



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### **INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC SERVICE ORGANIZATION ISSUES STATEMENT IN RESPONSE TO DEATH OF HONORARY MEMBER DR. DOROTHY HEIGHT**

Washington, DC (April 20, 2010) – Continental Societies, Inc. is saddened to learn of the death of beloved honorary member, supporter and friend, Dr. Dorothy Irene Height.

In addition to her notable civil rights work, 40 years of leadership at the helm of the National Council of Negro Women, and her affiliation with many other prestigious organizations, Dr. Height found time to work with the Continental Societies, Inc. Her commitment to equality and justice for all people supported the organization's mission to create opportunities for children to reach their optimal potential. For her service, the Continental Societies, Inc. is grateful.

Continental Societies' national offices are housed in the NCNW building in Washington, DC. Conducting business from this power corridor serves as a constant reminder of Dr. Height's lifelong devotion to activism. Her influence was astonishing and she will undoubtedly be remembered for her tenacity and ability to move among people in high and low places. Continental Societies, Inc. salutes this great lady who refused to accept anything less than justice.

Continental Societies, Inc., an international public service organization dedicated to the socioeconomic and cultural welfare of underprivileged children and youth, was founded in June 1956 and incorporated nationally in 1972. Continental Societies Inc. embraces 43 chapters in 17 states in the Continental USA, District of Columbia and Bermuda and is continuing to grow. Through its Five-Point Programmatic Thrust—Health, Education, Employment, Recreation (HEER), plus Arts and Humanities—Continental women internationally strive to adhere to the humanitarian precept of sharing with those in need. For additional information on the Continental Societies, Inc. visit [www.continentalsocietiesinc.org](http://www.continentalsocietiesinc.org).

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