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FORMER NASA OFFICIAL, EDUCATOR AND AUTHOR, ANNOUNCED AS MARY SCOTT LEGACY AWARDS SPEAKER

(Dayton, Ohio) Dr. Julian M. Earls, Executive In Residence at the Cleveland State University College of Business in Cleveland, Ohio and retired Director of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's Glenn Research Center in Cleveland, has been announced as the keynote speaker at the Mary Scott Nursing Center Legacy Awards Banquet, Thursday, April 20, 2006. The banquet will be held at the Mandalay Banquet Center, 2700 East River Road in Dayton, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

The Legacy Awards honor and recognize Miami Valley women, age 55 and older, who volunteer and exemplify the spirit of Christian service to persons who are aging, homeless or disabled. Located at 3109 Campus Drive, Mary Scott Nursing Center is Dayton's oldest non-profit nursing home and the first founded by an African-American person.

At NASA, Dr. Earls managed an annual budget of over \$600 million and a workforce of 1900 civil service employees and 1300 support service contractors. Dr. Earls has been referred to as a "Renaissance Man." He holds eight university degrees. He earned the Bachelor's Degree in Physics from Norfolk State University, the Master's Degree in Radiation Biology from the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry, and the Doctorate Degree in Radiation Physics from the University of Michigan.

He has been awarded the Honorary Doctor of Science degree by the College of Aeronautics in New York, the Honorary Doctor of Pedagogy degree by Nova Southeastern University in Florida, the Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree by Norfolk State University in Virginia, North Carolina AT&T State University, and Wilberforce University of Ohio. In addition, he earned the equivalent of the Master's Degree in Environmental Health from the University of Michigan and is a graduate of the Harvard Business School Program for Management Development.

Dr. Earls is an author of 30 publications and an educator who has been Distinguished Honors Visiting Professor at numerous universities. He received the Presidential Rank Award of Meritorious Executive from President Clinton in 1999 and from President Bush in 2004. He is a member of Sigma Pi Phi Fraternity and holds life memberships in Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity and the NAACP.

Dr. Earls has received many awards for being a humanitarian and he founded an organization that provides college scholarships for black students. He is recognized internationally for his oratorical skills and is a Jennings Foundation Distinguished Scholar Lecturer.

He is also an athlete who has completed 25 marathons including the Boston Marathon. He was honored to carry the Olympic Torch on its route through Cleveland for the Salt Lake City 2002 Olympic Games.

Banquet tickets are \$50 each, \$500 per table (10 tickets) and are available by calling Mary Scott Nursing Center, telephone (937) 278-0761.

Managed by Otterbein Homes, Lebanon, Ohio, Mary Scott Nursing Center was founded in 1914 by "Mother" Mary Scott when she opened her home to African American elderly, widowed, and indigent women. What began as Mary Scott's act of caring for women in her own home now continues in the quality health care offered by this modern, professional facility.

Guided by its, "Caring Comes From Inside," theme, Mary Scott Nursing Center has grown to a 116-bed skilled nursing facility. A not-for-profit organization, Mary Scott offers intermediate, skilled, and respite care to a racially diverse population. Many of those served are dependent upon Medicaid. In pursuing its mission, Mary Scott looks to the community for support in providing benevolent care