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Chancellor Harold L. Martin Sr. and Derek Ellington to be inducted into the 42nd Annual Business Leaders Hall of Fame

Junior Achievement of the Triad is recognizing exceptional leaders in the Triad

(Greensboro) October 25, 2021 – Junior Achievement of the Triad will induct Chancellor Harold L. Martin of NC A&T State University and Derek Ellington of Wells Fargo into the Business Leaders Hall of Fame on Tuesday, January 25, 2022.

The Business Leaders Hall of Fame introduces inspirational role models, like Chancellor Martin and Ellington, to young people throughout the Triad. This annual event raises funds to make sure that students in our community are prepared for the jobs of the future, develop the skills to achieve financial independence, and cultivate the mindset of a business owner. Junior Achievement of the Triad is fulfilling the community's vision to ensure every K-8th grade student in the Triad has the life skills critically important to their futures.

Chancellor Harold Lee Martin Sr., Ph.D., was elected the 12th chancellor of North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University on May 22, 2009, and formally began his tenure on June 8, 2009. Martin brought more than 30 years of transformative leadership experience in higher education to the role. He is the first alumnus to serve as the university's chief executive.

Derek is the newly installed Executive Vice President and Head of Small Business Banking at Wells Fargo. In this role, Derek is responsible for delivering the full spectrum of financial solutions to companies with annual sales of \$10 million or less. He has oversight of the end-to-end client experience for more than 3 million customers with the assistance of 2,000+ associates nationally. Prior to joining Wells Fargo, Derek held various leadership roles at Bank of America for over 24 years.

"We are thrilled to be honoring Chancellor Martin and Derek," said Jacqueline McCracken, President and CEO of Junior Achievement of the Triad. "Their dedication and impact on the Triad are immeasurable and we couldn't be more excited to induct them into this prestigious group of leaders in North Carolina."

To learn more information about the 2022 Honorees for the Business Leaders Hall of Fame, visit www.triadja.org.

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About Junior Achievement of the Triad

Junior Achievement of the Triad (JA) is a for-impact organization dedicated to empowering young people to believe in themselves and own their economic success. Junior Achievement is preparing the future workforce that is vital to our region's success in the global economy. To ensure education and workforce development efforts fulfill the future needs of the community, JA is leveraging our expertise in collaboration with local school and business partners. JA's focus is reaching 35,000 K-8th grade students in the Triad annually by 2023 by delivering programs that align with industry needs, building awareness around the diverse career opportunities in the Triad and focusing on entrepreneurship to expand the culture of innovation. For more information, visit www.triadja.org