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## **Atlanta CEO Named Prestigious Outstanding Alumni by the National Alumni Council of UNCF**

**February 5, 2010 (ATLANTA)** – C. David Moody, Jr., President and CEO of Atlanta-based C.D. Moody Construction Company, Inc., will be honored with the Outstanding Alumni Award presented by the National Alumni Council of UNCF– the United Negro College Fund—today. Moody will be recognized for his significant contributions to the Atlanta community in which he has built a 23-year business and for his support of UNCF.

The award will be presented at the 64<sup>th</sup> UNCF-NAC/NPAC Conference in New Orleans, during the Alumni Recognition Banquet. Moody was nominated by Morehouse College, where he received his bachelor’s degree in psychology.

“I was born in Chicago, but since 1974 I have called Atlanta home and have always tried to give back to the city that has been so good to me,” said C. David Moody, Jr., President and CEO of C.D. Moody Construction Company, Inc. “I have the privilege of speaking often to young students and I remind them not to let great ideas die because of self-imposed limitations. Whether it’s fear of failure, fear of struggle, or fear that you won’t make it, never let fear stop you from trying. I encourage them to know that if you can get through the fear, great things can happen.”

Moody serves as a mentor for several young African American males. In addition, the C.D. Moody Construction Foundation provides scholarships to minority students. Over 80 scholarships have been awarded since the Foundation’s inception in 1989 and Moody has endowed scholarships at Morehouse College, Howard University, and Central State University. Moody and his wife are deeply involved in the community and have adopted three schools in which they tutor, support field trips and provide pizza parties for students who have the highest GPAs.

“David Moody embodies the essence of UNCF and for that reason we were proud to nominate him,” said Henry Goodgame, Director of Alumni Affairs for Morehouse College. “In fact, he was on the top of our list. He has been a longtime benefactor to our students and has always led by example. We are proud to call him one of our own and congratulate David on receiving this prestigious award.”

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“In the great tradition of Morehouse College and all historically black colleges and universities, David Moody is making a difference, through his success as a businessman and by giving back to the community,” said UNCF president and CEO Michael L. Lomax, Ph.D. “The Outstanding Alumni Award is not only a well-deserved recognition for what he has accomplished, but draws attention to him as a role model for young people who aspire to build a business on the foundation of a college education.”

Moody serves on a number of numerous professional, civic and social organizations, including the Atlanta Business League and the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity. He is the board chair of the Atlanta Business League, president of the National Association of Minority Contractors – Atlanta Chapter and on the board of directors for Citizens Trust Bank, Hughes Spalding Hospital Foundation, State of Georgia Homeless Housing Trust Fund, Morehouse College Business Advisory Board, Theragenics (NYSE), State Licensing Board for Residential and General Contractors, and the Wesley Woods at Emory. Previous boards include Gammon Theological Seminary and the Metro Atlanta YMCA.

### **About C.D. Moody Construction Company, Inc.**

Founded in 1988 by Charles David Moody, the firm’s first project was a joint venture with Otis Bellamy, of Bellamy Brothers, on the Underground Atlanta project. Since then, C.D. Moody Construction Company has grown from \$1 million to over \$70 million in annual revenues. The company provides a wide range of construction services including design/build, new construction, renovation and construction management. C.D. Moody Construction has been involved in many commercial, industrial, institutional, and hospitality projects. Other notable projects include the Olympic Stadium, Morehouse College Leadership Center, The Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, Turner Baseball Field, Philips Arena, Home Depot, and, for Disney, the conversion of a shopping mall into luxury office space. For more information, visit [www.cdmoodysteel.com](http://www.cdmoodysteel.com).

### **About UNCF**

UNCF—the United Negro College Fund—is the nation’s largest and most effective minority education organization. To serve youth, the community and the nation, UNCF supports students’ education and development through scholarships and other programs, strengthens its 39 member colleges and universities, and advocates for the importance of minority education. UNCF institutions and other historically black colleges and universities are highly effective, awarding 18 percent of African American baccalaureate degrees. UNCF administers more than 400 programs, including scholarship, internship and fellowship, mentoring, summer enrichment, and curriculum and faculty development programs. Today, UNCF supports more than 60,000 students at over 900 colleges and universities across the country. Its logo features the UNCF torch of leadership in education and its widely recognized motto, “A mind is a terrible thing to waste.”<sup>®</sup> Learn more at [www.UNCF.org](http://www.UNCF.org).

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