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MEDIA ADVISORY

Board Vote to Recognize Sisters Academic Achievement

WHAT: This evening, Board Member Mark Brentley, Sr. will bring forth a

resolution to honor sisters Sophia Phillips Nelson, Ph.D. and Fanetta Jannie Mae Nelson Gordon. In 1934 Sophia Phillips Nelson became the first African-American valedictorian in the history of Westinghouse High School. After 77 years, her sister, Fannetta Nelson Gordon will officially be recognized by the District as the school's second African-American valedictorian. The Board's vote tonight will recognize the academic achievements of both sisters and the academic honor of Mrs. Nelson

Gordon.

WHEN: Wednesday, April 27, 2011

WHERE: Administration Building, Board Room, 2nd Floor

341 South Bellefield Avenue, 15213

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