Florida Memorial University Receives $10,000 Endowment Gift from Dr. Lester Brown establishing The Dr. Lester B. Brown Endowed Scholarship

MIAMI GARDENS, FL.—Florida Memorial University has received a $10,000 gift from Mrs. Maudelle Brown to honor her late husband Dr. Lester B. Brown, former Florida Memorial University Dean and one-time Acting President. This endowed scholarship is earmarked for students interested in studying science. Through this endowment it is Mrs. Brown's desire to honor her husband's lifetime commitment to education in general and to Florida Memorial University in particular.

“This generous gift, will enable Florida Memorial University students to make their dreams of higher education a reality, which will in turn enrich our society.” said Dr. Roslyn Clark Artis, Florida Memorial University President.

Throughout his life, Dr. Brown dedicated his self to educating others. He led an illustrious career in education holding many teaching and administrative positions and distinguishing himself as an educator. He achieved innumerable accomplishments including serving as the President of two colleges and the founder of the Chemistry Department at Albany State University, Albany, GA.

Dr. Lester B. Brown, served Florida Memorial College (now known as Florida Memorial University) as a dedicated Dean of the College and Interim President. As a renowned educator and throughout his service to Florida Memorial University Brown demonstrated a sincere love for the students under his watch. Dr. Brown’s love for learning and Florida Memorial University students will always be evident through the Dr. Lester B. Brown Endowed Scholarship.

On September 12th, 2014, Florida Memorial University lost one of its most zealous advocates and leaders who was truly the embodiment of Florida Memorial University’s motto: leadership, character, and service.

For more information regarding the Dr. Lester B. Brown Endowed Scholarship, please contact the Florida Memorial University Office of University Advancement. (305) 626- 3609.

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About Florida Memorial University

Located in the City of Miami Gardens, Florida Memorial University is a private, historically Black institution that offers 42 undergraduate degree programs and four graduate degree programs to a culturally diverse student body. Since its inception in 1879, the University has upheld a commitment to provide a solid foundation for thousands of young people and to open doors to educational opportunities that may have otherwise been closed to them. As South Florida’s only Historically Black College or University (HBCU), it is widely recognized as the birthplace of the Negro National Anthem, “Lift Ev’ry Voice and Sing.” For more information: Call (305) 626-3600 or visit www.fmuniv.edu.