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AABLI to Honor Community and Business Change-Makers

Shared commitment to leadership diversity to move society forward to be highlighted

LOS ANGELES – May 8, 2017 -- The African American Board Leadership Institute (AABLI) has named community trailblazers Fred Ali, Janet Clayton and Cheryl Boone Isaacs as recipients of its 2017 Vision Awards, to be presented May 17 at AABLI's annual Tribute Reception at the City Club in Los Angeles.

Ali is president and chief executive officer of the Weingart Foundation, which supports nonprofit organizations to more effectively address the needs of low-income and underserved individuals and communities in Southern California.

Senior vice president of corporate communications for Southern California Edison and its parent company, Edison International, Clayton leads internal and external communications, corporate and brand positioning, and community relations and philanthropic programs.

During her four-year term as president of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences, Isaacs has guided the organization toward greater diversity and inclusion within the film industry.

AABLI annually honors individuals who have made significant contributions to the community, particularly in opening the doors of opportunity to shape positive change.

"Each honoree is a visionary leader who aligns with our vision of being a premier organization that prepares African American professionals for board service," says AABLI President and CEO Yvette Chappell-Ingram. She continues, "As AABLI's graduates make meaningful and significant contributions as members of governing boards, the three honorees are great examples of thought leaders who astutely move the needle of change in board rooms to address community concerns with relevance."

For information about attending the Tribute Reception, please contact Victoire Prothro at (213) 346-3241 or vprothro@aabli.org.

About the African Board Leadership Institute

The African American Board Leadership Institute (a project of Community Partners, an independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit), is a premier organization whose mission is to strengthen nonprofit, public and private organizations through recruiting, preparing and assisting with the placement of African Americans on a board range of governing boards. AABLI alumni serve diverse communities by shaping positive change. For more information about AABLI'S activities, visit www.aabli.org.

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