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PRESENTS ITS ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM:

**“The Importance of Chinese-American Universities’ Collaborations in Science
Technology Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Fields”**

12:30 to 1:45 pm., Thursday, Feb. 26, 2009
Douglas Wilder Auditorium
700 Park Ave.
Norfolk, VA 23504

The keynote speaker is Dr. William Y. Chang, the first Director of the National Science Foundation’s (NSF) Beijing Office. The purpose of the NSF office is to facilitate and strengthen collaboration between American and Chinese scientists to advance science and technology interests. Dr. Chang has over 20 years experience in science and engineering research, education, program management and policy. He has served as a science advisor to many research institutes and national committees, and as Senior Technical Advisor to the United Nations Development Program. Dr. Chang is the author of over 90 publications focusing on ecology, environmental science and water resources.

A panel discussion follows.

Mr. Stephen R. Kelly, Diplomat-In-Residence, Duke University, is a 26-year career Senior Foreign Service Officer. His primary role is to seek out those interested in careers formulating and implementing US policy. He is a resource for students and faculty interested in internships, scholarships, fellowships or general advice on a diplomatic career. He will talk about opportunities in the Foreign Service field.

Mr. Ralph Hines, acting director of the Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education (FIPSE), will discuss international programs. Through its grant competitions, FIPSE supports the implementation of innovative reforms, evaluates how they work, and shares lessons with educators.

The third panelist featured is **Mrs. Christyl Johnson**, assistant associate administrator in the office of NASA administrator currently on leave to the Office of Science and Technology (OSTP). She will talk about her new role with the OSTP at the Obama White House.

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