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David Mathews Center Recognizes Dr. Ray Minor with Award for Dedicated Service

MONTEVALLO, Ala. -

The David Mathews Center for Civic Life would like to announce that Dr. Ray Minor was honored with the Award for Dedicated Service Friday, August 18, 2017, at the annual Civic Institute held at the American Village in Montevallo. The award recognizes Dr. Minor's essential guidance on the David Mathew's Centers' mission, vision, programming, and partnership during his term as Chair of the Board of the Directors. After over a decade of service, Dr. Minor is transitioning to the role of Chair Emeritus.

"Dr. Ray Minor has provided invaluable guidance, governance, and leadership to the David Mathews Center for Civic Life," Dr. Bob McKenzie, the new Chair of the Board of Directors, remarked during the celebration honoring Dr. Minor's tenure. "Serving faithfully, and with honor, integrity, and great distinction, the David Mathews Center for Civic Life Board of Directors and staff formally acknowledge and extend their deep gratitude to Dr. Ray Minor for his many years of service to the David Mathews Center for Civic Life."

After receiving a Bachelor of Science degree in Social Welfare and a Master of Arts degree in Educational Administration from the University of Alabama, Dr. Minor completed his doctoral studies in public policy and administration at Walden University. He has also completed additional studies at the Birmingham School of Law. His career has included senior level roles at public, private, and nonprofit institutions. Since 2012, Dr. Minor has been contributing his expertise to the Kettering Foundation, where he currently serves as a program officer and scholar with a primary focus on public policy, public administration and politics. He has published 17 scholarly works, primarily focused on student and citizen engagement, public institutions and authorities, and nongovernmental organizations.

In addition to his work at the Kettering Foundation, Dr. Minor has also held advisory positions at multiple institutions. He has served as the Executive Director of Alabama's National and Community Service Office, the Director of Development at Miles College, the Vice President of Advancement at Wiley College, and the Vice President of Advancement at the United Methodist Homes of New Jersey. Outside of his professional work, Dr. Minor has contributed service to many non-profit, governmental, and educational institutions, such as the Alabama Center for Civic Life, where he served as president, and the Governor's cabinet in the state of Alabama, of which he was a member.