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### **Calvin Jones Named 2011 Lansing Community College Distinguished Alumni**

**LANSING** – The Lansing Community College Alumni Association has selected Calvin Jones as the recipient of the Distinguished Alumni of the Year Award for 2011. Jones is Director of Diversity and Inclusion, Public Relations, and Organizational Assessment and Training at the Lansing Board of Water & Light where he has worked for the last 34 years.

The award will be presented during LCC's Commencement on Friday, May 20, 2011 at 7 p.m., Jack Breslin Student Events Center at Michigan State University. He will also be honored at a special reception in late June.

The Distinguished Alumni Award was established to honor outstanding alumnus who have achieved a high level of professional accomplishment and have made significant personal contributions through their involvement in community service.

Jones, a native of Lansing, is also a graduate of Michigan State University's Political Leadership Program and the Michigan Chamber of Commerce Leadership Michigan program.

During more than three decades with the Board of Water & Light Jones has held a variety of positions from ranging from General Maintenance Laborer to General Supervisor to Government Relations Manager where he served as a critical link between the Board of Water & Light, the city of Lansing and local businesses.

Jones wears many volunteer hats while serving on the Waverly Community Schools Board of Education, Capital Area United Way, Impression 5 Science Center, and Junior Achievement to

name a few. He established the Kim Jones “Make it Happen” Foundation, and coordinates the Annual Chili Cook-Off, a community favorite which raises thousands of dollars for charity.

Jones joins a truly worthy group of recent Distinguished Alumni recipients including Mary Roszel, co-founder of Biggby Coffee, a Michigan-based franchise company of coffee cafes; State Sen. Rick Jones; former state Sen. Dianne Byrum; Kyle Caldwell, president & CEO of Connect Michigan Alliance, a statewide group committed to increasing service and volunteerism where Michigan residents live, work and learn; former Michigan Chamber of Commerce President James Barrett; Vicki L.H. Myers, a former chief deputy of the Ingham County Sheriff’s Department and currently commander at the Mesa Police Department in Arizona; and Ingham County Sheriff Gene Wriggelsworth.

### ***About Lansing Community College***

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