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President of Morehouse College To Be Honored at Cal Poly's Baker Forum April 5

Walter E. Massey, president of Atlanta's Morehouse College, will receive the Wiley Lifetime Achievement Award and an honorary doctorate from Cal Poly at the inaugural Baker Forum on April 5.

Massey is former director of the National Science Foundation, the government's lead agency for support of research and education in mathematics, science and engineering. He has also headed the Argonne National Laboratory, one of the U.S. government's oldest and largest science and engineering research labs, and is a former president and chairman of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. He currently serves as a member of the President's Council of Advisers on Science and Technology.

"Walter Massey has dedicated his professional life to strengthening the study of science and technology," Cal Poly Provost Paul Zingg said. "There could not be a more deserving recipient of these awards."

The Baker Forum, titled "The Future of Polytechnic & Science and Technology Universities," was established by the Cal Poly President's Cabinet on the occasion of the 20th year of service to Cal Poly by President Warren J. Baker and his wife, Carly, to further the dialogue on critical public policy issues facing the nation and higher education. It gives particular attention to the special social and economic roles and responsibilities of polytechnic and science and technology universities.

The inaugural Baker Forum on April 5-6 will bring together leaders from higher education, high-tech industries, and national and state governments to discuss three issues: preparing better-educated and diverse students for careers in science, math, engineering and technology; increasing partnerships among universities, industry and government in research and education; and addressing ethical challenges

involved with science and technology's role in society.

John Wiley and Sons Inc. funds the Wiley Lifetime Achievement Award, given in recognition of extraordinary leadership and lasting contributions to American higher education and public life.

Cal Poly has previously awarded five honorary doctorates: to two alumni, Burt Rutan, designer of the Voyager aircraft, and R. James Considine, former chairman of the California State University Board of Trustees; to Ann Veneman, secretary of the U.S. Department of Agriculture; to Rita Colwell, director of the National Science Foundation; and to David Baltimore, president of the California Institute of Technology.

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