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The Benjamin Banneker Association, Inc. is pleased to announce that the *National Leadership Summit on the Mathematics Education Excellence of Black Children: "An Agenda for Impact"* will be held on November 8-9, 2007 at Georgia State University's University Student Center in Atlanta, Georgia. The event will be co-sponsored by the Benjamin Banneker Association, the National Education Association, and the College of Education at Georgia State University. The summit will bring together the nation's mathematics educators, mathematicians, teachers and scholars with the purpose of engineering a national policy agenda which will guide the mathematics teaching, learning, leadership and policy of children of African descent for the next ten years and beyond. The first day of the summit will feature an open public address by American Education Research Association President, Dr. William Tate. The public address will take place on November 8. The summit represents the first of its kind in the last ten years since BBA's 1997 Leadership Conference.

According to current president, Dr. Lou Edward Matthews, a mathematics education professor at Georgia State University, "the summit reflects the Benjamin Banneker Association's revamped commitment to the mathematics education excellence for students of African descent, and all children through leadership initiatives, national collaboration and regional representation". The Benjamin Banneker Association recently released its 2007-2009 Strategic Vision and Action Plan on its website at www.bannekermath.org. More summit info can be found at www.bannekermath.org/summit07.

Attached: National Summit logo (50k jpeg file)