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The West Indian Foundation, Inc. 28th Anniversary Scholarship and Awards Gala set for Saturday, October 14, 2006 at the Hartford Convention Center

Hartford, Connecticut, August 30, 2006 ---The West Indian Foundation, Inc. will hold their annual black tie gala at the Hartford Convention Center on Saturday, October 14, 2006 at 8 o'clock in the evening. Building on last year's success, this year's event will reflect the Foundation's mission to Empower, Educate and Entertain.

Serving as Chairperson of the evening's festivities is the Honorable Denise Nappier, State Treasurer of Connecticut. Also serving as Co-Chairs of this signature event are Gwen Smith Iloani, President & CEO of Smith Whiley & Co and Wes Thompson, Head of Employer Markets of the Lincoln Financial Group.

Providing entertainment for all the esteemed members and guests will be the legendary soca giant extraordinaire—Byron Lee and The Dragonaires.

The West Indian Foundation, Inc. is a non - profit organization committed to raising the bar and advancing its organizational goals through the education and empowerment of our youth. In keeping with the Foundation's mission of "Educating Today For A Better Tomorrow" the Foundation actively partners with teachers and staff members thr