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NAMIC- Atlanta Announces Tina Simmons, Senior Vice President, Human Resources - Comcast, as the recipient of the 2017 Mae Douglas Leadership Award

September 19, 2017 ----Congratulations to Tina Simmons, NAMIC- Atlanta's distinguished honoree of this year's Mae Douglas Mentorship Award dinner. For the past decade, this event has been NAMIC- Atlanta's signature event because it highlights leaders who have made significant contributions to employees within the telecommunications industry and the NAMIC – Atlanta chapter.

Named for its founder of the NAMIC – Atlanta chapter, Mae Douglas was a tireless mentor for countless Cable professionals before her retirement with Cox Communications where she was appointed executive vice president and chief people officer. During her distinguished career, she was recognized nationally for advocacy of diversity efforts and leadership across the cable industry.

Like Douglas, Tina Simmons also exemplifies the highest standards of excellence, achievement and diversity engagement. Simmons is responsible for leading all facets of human resources and organizational effectiveness for 30K employees in Comcast Cable's Central Division and for all people-related functions including: compensation, diversity & inclusion, employee engagement, labor relations, employee communications, HR policy, performance management, talent acquisition, and talent management. *"Tina's unwavering support of NAMIC – Atlanta and her open-door policy provided the newly-elected executive board with guidance and encouragement during its first year. The ability to seek her advice on a regular basis has been invaluable to the Chapter,"* says Stacy Cole, President, NAMIC - Atlanta

Tina has received Villanova University's Eby Award for Outstanding Post Graduate Achievement. Simmons has frequently been recognized as one of the Most Influential Minorities in Cable in *Cablefax* magazine and Most Powerful Women in Cable. Additionally, Tina received the "Movers and Shakers" award from the American Women's Heritage Society, Inc. and was recognized by the Philadelphia City Council for this honor. Tina is the 2005 winner of NAMIC's Paragon Award. Tina received WICT's Liberty Award in 2006. In 2007, Simmons became a Class XIV Fellow of the WICT Betsy Magness Leadership Institute.

Simmons will be honored during NAMIC – Atlanta's *Mae Douglas Mentorship Awards* dinner on October 11, 2017 from 6PM – 8PM at Cox Communications.

About NAMIC

NAMIC (National Association for Multi-ethnicity in Communications) is the premier organization focusing on multi-ethnic diversity in the communications industry. Founded in 1980 as a non-profit trade association, today NAMIC comprises over 2,200 professionals belonging to a network of 16 chapters nationwide. Through initiatives that focus on education, advocacy and empowerment, NAMIC champions equity and inclusion in the workforce, with special attention given to ensuring that the leadership cadres of our nation's communications industry giants reflect the multi-ethnic richness of the populations they serve. For more information, please visit www.namic.com and stay connected to NAMIC on Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter and DiversityLive: The Business > Social NAMIC Network.

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