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### MIXED ROOTS FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES AND WELCOMES NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**San Francisco, CA – February 25, 2013** – The Mixed Roots Foundation announces and welcomes its new Board of Directors. Mixed Roots is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization with its global headquarters in San Francisco, CA and is the first and only national and global multicultural adoptee led foundation that cross sects the international, domestic, and foster care adoption experience.

With the recent strategic planning meeting that took place earlier in January, the Board of Directors unanimously voted to focus on two primary goals for 2013. These goals are: to establish a national adoption mentoring initiative that will provide positive adult adoptee role models to adopted and foster youth and to officially launch the Global Adoptee Genealogy Project (GAGP) which will allow adoptees to discover their own biological and cultural roots through DNA testing.

#### *Mixed Roots Foundation Board of Directors*

**Lorna Victoria Strachan**, M.Ed., Chair  
**Michael Putnam**, Vice Chair  
**Amy Krymkowski**, Secretary  
**Ben Lourey**, Treasurer  
**Thomas Park Clement**, Founding Board Director  
**Craig Hickman**, Board Director  
**Mary Ann Kranidis**, Board Director

“I am honored and excited to be part of this movement”, said Lorna Victoria Strachan, Chair, Mixed Roots Foundation. “As an adoptee who was born and grew up in New York and now living in California – I am pleased to be leading an organization that will not only make a difference in the lives of adoptees and their families, but will provide an opportunity for them to leave their own legacy through the foundation for generations to come.”

Mixed Roots Foundation aims to leverage philanthropy to provide more post adoption resources. The foundation will promote and support organizations that serve as a resource to the diverse adoptee community; create more awareness of the adoption experience, and inspire the next generation of adoptees to achieve their dreams and goals.

To meet Mixed Roots Foundation’s new Board of Directors, learn more about its programs, attend any special events, or make a tax deductible donation, please LIKE Mixed Roots Foundation on Facebook, call 800.659.6958, email [info@mixedrootsfoundation.org](mailto:info@mixedrootsfoundation.org), or visit [www.mixedrootsfoundation.org](http://www.mixedrootsfoundation.org) for more information.