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REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES SYMPOSIUM
HAROLD WASHINGTON COLLEGE

THE CHANCELLOR

REPORTS

that the Women's Studies Committee at Harold Washington College organized a symposium on issues concerning reproductive rights and responsibilities on November 8-10, 2006 at the college's campus, and;

that over 260 students, faculty, staff, and outside guests signed in over the three day symposium and participated in events ranging from film screenings of *The Last Abortion Clinic* and *Cider House Rules* to a student panel on "Parenting and Reproductive Rights" to a poster exhibition on "Global Representations of Women" to lectures on topics such as "Vasectomy," "Physiology and Reproductive Rights," "Population Control and Reprogenetics" (as presented by Prof. Dorothy Roberts of Northwestern University) and "Metaphors and Reproductive Rights Rhetoric," and;

that student participants who completed some of the 84 surveys found the sessions to be informative, down to earth, and mentally stimulating; one student wrote as follows: "I believe that this event at HWC presented a great opportunity for students and other members of the college to gain knowledge on Reproductive Rights," and;

that the symposium planners and presenters, many of whom were HWC faculty and students, were greatly encouraged by the support of the HWC community as well as by the intensely collaborative process of making the symposium a success. Those planners and presenters are as follows: Aja Patterson (student), Amanda Loos (Humanities), Betty Harris (Distinguished Professor, Social Sciences), Cheryl Dias (Chair, Biological Sciences), Ilene Sandman (Humanities), Yolanda Williams (student, SGA treasurer), Jennifer Meresman (English), Judi Nitsch (English), Kristin Bivens (English), Michal Eskayo (ESL), Tim Donahue (English), Uletta Jackson (Biological Sciences), Trina Coleman (student), Lelia Kask (student), Xiaosi Yang (Humanities), Chao Lu (Math), Miesha Hampton (student), Christopher Sabino (Math), Margaret Johnson (Social Sciences), Donyel Williams (English), Liliana Jlanu (Math), and Maria Fregoso (Social Sciences).

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne D. Watson
Chancellor

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