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**PROVOST REYNOLDS TESTIFIES AT US SENATE FORUM  
Kennedy-King College**

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**REPORTS**

that William Reynolds, Provost, Washburne Culinary Institute participated in a Higher-Education Forum hosted by U.S. Senator Dick Durbin (D-IL) on August 31, 2010 at Chicago's Dirksen Federal Building. The forum addressed concerns regarding taxpayer support for proprietary, for-profit colleges through state and federal financial aid programs.

Other speakers included: Michelle Zuver, a former student at Westwood College; Denise Parnell, a former student at the Illinois School of Health Careers; Daniel Hamburger, President and CEO, DeVry, Inc.; Dr. Wade Dyke, President, Kaplan University; Gary McCullough, President and CEO, Career Education Corporation; Dr. Girard Weber, President, College of Lake County; and Dr. Al Bowman, President, Illinois State University.

Sen. Durbin suggested the following during the forum:

- Having for-profit colleges bear some of the risk on student loans so that if a student defaults, the taxpayers aren't left footing the bill;
- Requiring schools to provide more complete information regarding real costs, accreditation, completion rates, and job placement rates so that students can make informed decisions and aren't burdened with debt without the skills and credentials necessary to succeed;
- Putting an end to the practice of companies acquiring accreditation simply by purchasing non-profit, accredited colleges;
- Examining the amount of federal funding being spent by for-profit colleges on marketing campaigns, including billboards, television commercials, and advertisements.

Respectfully submitted,

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