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Diana Chapman Walsh to Speak at Cambridge College's 38th Commencement

Walsh, Callie Crossley to receive Honorary Degrees

CAMBRIDGE— Cambridge College will hold its 38th Commencement on **Sunday, June 7th at 11 a.m. at the Bank of America Pavilion on Boston's Waterfront.** Diana Chapman Walsh, President *emerita* of Wellesley College, will serve as the ceremony's keynote speaker.

Dr. Walsh was Wellesley College's fourth alumna president. During her 14-year tenure the college revised its curriculum and developed new initiatives in global education, experiential and service learning, and environmental studies—enhanced its campus, grew its endowment, and strengthened its bonds of community. Just prior to her Wellesley presidency, Dr. Walsh was the Norman professor at the Harvard School of Public Health and chair of the department of health and social behavior. Previously she spent a decade at Boston University, as a university professor and a professor of social and behavioral sciences in the School of Public Health. Dr. Walsh earned a master's degree in journalism and a doctorate in health policy, both from Boston University. She has written, edited or co-edited numerous articles and books.

Cambridge College will confer two honorary degrees at the Commencement Ceremony. The Doctor of Humane Letters will be awarded to Dr. Walsh and **Callie Crossley**, a media commentator and public speaker. Crossley, who frequently appears on National Public Radio, CNN, and C-SPAN, appears weekly on WGBH-TV's "Beat the Press." Ms. Crossley was a producer for *Eyes On the Prize: America's Civil Rights Years*, the critically acclaimed documentary series, which earned her an Oscar

nomination and major film and journalism awards, including the Gold Baton of the DuPont-Columbia Award, considered the Pulitzer Prize of broadcast journalism. A former producer for ABC News “20/20,” Ms. Crossley is now Program Manager for the Nieman Foundation for Journalism at Harvard University, and a Woodrow Wilson Visiting Fellow, guest lecturing at colleges and universities about media, politics, and the intersection of race, gender and media.

Dr. Walsh and Ms. Crossley will join the ranks of many distinguished Cambridge College honorary degree recipients, including last year’s speaker Massachusetts First Lady Diane Patrick, as well as former Vice President Al Gore, Ambassador Swanee Hunt, Patti Labelle, Jarrett Barrios, NBA legend Bill Russell, Congressman John Lewis, Reverend Ray Hammond, Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton, and founder of *Black Enterprise* Magazine Earl Graves, Sr..

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