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**Atlanta City Council President, Ceasar C. Mitchell to speak at
Atlanta Metropolitan State College's Commencement**

Atlanta, Georgia – Atlanta Metropolitan State College (AMSC) will hold its commencement ceremony on Friday, May 3, 2013, at 10:00 a.m. in the Physical Education Complex on the main campus. Approximately 300 students will receive degrees. Atlanta City Council President, Ceasar C. Mitchell will deliver the commencement address.

Attorney Ceasar C. Mitchell serves as 7th President of the Atlanta City Council. Prior to being elected Council President, Mitchell served eight years as a citywide Councilmember. As a public official, Mitchell advocates for safer communities through specific initiatives including police foot patrols. He has championed key legislation facilitating economic revitalization in underdeveloped areas by authoring measures to create 4 of the city's 10 Tax Allocation Districts and supporting legislation for community input in the Beltline Project. In 2004, Mitchell stepped up his efforts to make Atlanta clean, green, safe and thriving by creating a Parks Advisory Group to provide recommendations for Atlanta to achieve and sustain a work-class parks and recreation system with a governance structure. Additionally, he created a *Clean Green Team* to provide technical assistance and resources to 22 community groups to improve their neighborhoods. He also led the charge to turn a dangerous unpaved road into the Cahaba Drive Walking Trail, a safe path for a southwest Atlanta neighborhood. Mitchell is actively committed to the education and enrichment of our city's youth as reflected in his semi-annual College Prep Series—a college admissions exam preparation program. To date, more than 4,500 middle & high school students and their parents have participated.

Mitchell is a native Atlantan, the son of an Atlanta Police Officer and Atlanta Public Schools Teacher, and a graduate of Benjamin E. Mays High School. He is an honor graduate of Morehouse College with dual majors in Economics and English. Mitchell earned his law degree from the University of Georgia, School of Law where he served on the International Law Journal and won a national moot court championship in constitutional law. Ceasar and his wife, Dr. Tiffany Mitchell are the proud parents to their daughters, Canon and Czaria. They reside in the Historic West End community and attend Impact United Methodist Church.

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