BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH FOR DR. TYRONE BLEDSOE

to his current position with SAAB, Dr. Bledsoe served as Vice President for Student Life and Special Assistant to the President at the University of Toledo.

He received his Bachelor of Arts and Master of Education degrees from Mississippi State University, and went on to complete a Ph.D. in Counseling and Student Affairs Administration with D Q H P S K D V L V L Q & R X Q V H O L Q J 3 V \ F K R O R J \ D W W K H 8 Q L Y H U V L W \ professional prowess is underscored by his recognition as Outstanding Doctoral Student in the State of Georgia, along with his honor as Outstanding Doctoral Alumnus by the University of Georgia.

Dr. Bledsoe is a contributing author to the book African American Men in College, and his scholarly publications and contributions were further solidified through his appearances on several talk shows where he has discussed issues pertaining to African American and Latino males. Further, his expertise was requested by an international research team that addressed issues affecting men of color in London and male challenges in Germany. In 1999, he was invited to serve as guest lecturer at the Oxford University Roundtable Institute in Oxford, England to discuss his work with the latter. Dr. Bledsoe is highly recognized by several professional associations for his research, publications, presentations, and scholarly work. Because of his many contributions to Student Affairs in higher education, his membership with the American College Personnel Association (ACPA) led to his being distinguished as a Diamond Honoree. The University System of Georgia recently awarded him with the ³ , P S D F W $ Z D U G for his contributions to the State of Georgia. He was recently featured by Black Scholar and Professor, Dr. Boyce Watkins, as a bright and innovative leader committed to saving young males of color. His international work has earned him notoriety with Ashoka D J O R E D O D V V R F L D W L R Q R I W K H Z R U O G ¶ V O H D G recently selected him as one of the most outstanding social innovators in the world. Recently, he