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**NABOB MOURNS THE SUDDEN PASSING OF
RADIO PIONEER SYDNEY SMALL**

Washington, DC---The members of the National Association of Black Owned Broadcasters, Inc. are deeply saddened by the sudden loss of Sydney Small. Mr. Small was a member of the NABOB Board of Directors, on which he served for over two decades, and was a leading force in the broadcast industry for over three decades. He was a quiet, steady leader of NABOB, always providing wisdom and guidance to its members.

Mr. Small, along with his former partner, Eugene Jackson, founded the National Black Network in the early 1970s. Eventually, NBN merged with Sheridan Broadcasting Network to form American Urban Radio Networks, today's largest Black radio network. In the 1970s, Mr. Small and Mr. Jackson also founded Unity Broadcasting, which owned and operated radio stations around the country. In the 1980s, Unity joined with Inner City Broadcasting Company and Time Warner, to form Inner Unity Cable, which obtained a franchise and constructed and operated a cable television system in Queens, New York.

In the early 1990s, Mr. Small founded Access.1 Communications Corp, which now owns 15 radio stations in New York, New Jersey, Texas, and Louisiana, a television station in Atlantic City, New Jersey, and Superadio, a radio syndication company.

Among his many NABOB friends and colleagues, "Sid" was known as a person who was always ready to give his time and resources to promote the success of Black broadcasters. Jim Winston, Executive Director of NABOB, said, "Sid was someone to whom I could always go for guidance and support. He had an extensive knowledge and understanding of the broadcast industry, and he was always looking to find ways to help Black broadcasters build their companies." Winston added, "Sid was a good hearted person with a great sense of humor, and he tried to help people in any way that he could. He will be deeply missed by everyone in NABOB."

NABOB is the only trade association representing the interests of the 245 radio and 8 television stations owned by African Americans across the country. The association was organized in 1976 by African American broadcasters who desired to establish a voice and a viable presence in the industry to increase minority station ownership and to improve the business climate in which these stations operate.

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