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**Thomas Praises Mayor Fenty, Chairman Gray, and Councilmember Brown
for Their Leadership in Bringing Phelps Vocational School On Line**

Washington, DC –Ward 5 Councilmember Harry “Tommy” Thomas, Jr. today acknowledged the leadership of Mayor Adrian Fenty, Council Chairman Vincent Gray, and At-Large Councilmember Kwame Brown in bringing on line the Phelps Architecture, Construction and Engineering High School. Councilmember Thomas also praised Office of Public Education Facilities Modernization Director Allen Lew for completing the renovation of the school on time and on budget, as well as Phelps alumni, who encouraged the District to reopen the school.

Councilmember Thomas will join Mayor Fenty and others at the ribbon cutting ceremony for Phelps on Monday, August 18, 2008. “The reopening of Phelps is an important step in revitalizing vocational education in the District of Columbia and preparing our young people for the workforce of the 21st century,” said Councilmember Thomas.

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