



EmpowHer Institute Hosts Author/ Sharon Lechter for "Empowered Girls" Event Appoints Georgette Huckaby to EmpowHer Institute Executive Board

Los Angeles, CA, April 02, 2011 --(PR.com)-- EmpowHer Institute, a non-profit dedicated to teaching life skills and entrepreneurship to girls and women in Los Angeles, hosted an “Empowered Girls” event last month with Sharon Lechter, C.P.A, who serves on the President's Council on Financial Literacy, founded YOUTHpreneur and co-authored Rich Dad, Poor Dad. The “Empowered Girls” event was attended by more than 200 girls from Los Angeles area schools.

“Kids need to learn to be self-sufficient so they can take care of themselves, their families and others,” says Lechter, who developed YOUTHpreneur to teach kids business skills that lead to lifelong fiscal responsibility. “We need to give them the self-confidence and get them excited about their place in the business world.” EmpowHer Institute is focused on reducing the overwhelming 50% dropout rate among high school teens in Los Angeles by increasing the self esteem and business savvy of girls through compelling and informative speaker series like this one as well as in-class business and entrepreneurship mentoring.

“I really enjoyed the seminar!” said Bre'Leena Wright, ECHS student. “The seminar exemplified self-confidence and knowing that it is possible for anyone to overcome obstacles. I just have to think outside the box and not make things overly complex.” The partnership between EmpowHer Institute and ICEF Vista Charter Middle School and Environmental Charter High School brings together "real life" learning and relevant education to set students on a path to graduation and success.

In addition to the recent EmpowHer Institute speaker series, Betty LaMarr, Founder and Chief Executive Officer of EmpowHer Institute announced today the appointment of Georgette Huckaby to EmpowHer's Executive Board of Directors.

Georgette is Director of Customer Service Financial Management & Administrative Services for Southern California Edison. She is responsible for budgeting, reporting, internal controls, financial planning, benchmarking and finance for the 2012 General Rate Case. She has a bachelor's degree in Business Administration with an Accounting concentration from California State University, Dominguez Hills.

About EmpowHer Institute

EmpowHer Institute is a 501C-3 non-profit organization founded in February 2003. EmpowHer supports girls and women in low income areas of Los Angeles through programs designed to bolster self-confidence, business savvy and to develop entrepreneur and life skills that create opportunities to improve their social status and living conditions. For more information or to donate to EmpowHer Institute please visit <http://empowher.org>

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