## HARVEST CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY

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## Official Letter of Invitation

March 19, 2025

Dear Bernie Mac Foundation Committee,

It is with great pride and deep reverence that we formally send the name of Bernard Jeffrey McCullough, known to the world as Bernie Mac, for a posthumous Honorary Doctorate at the April 12, 2025, Dallas Commencement Ceremony. Bernie Mac was not only a comedic genius but a cultural icon whose legacy transcends entertainment, leaving an indelible impact on the world. His contributions to the arts, his fearless storytelling, and his unwavering dedication to uplifting his community through humor and wisdom exemplify the principles of resilience, leadership, and inspiration that we hold in the highest regard. This honor recognizes his profound influence on generations of entertainers and his enduring role in shaping the landscape of comedy and social commentary.

In addition to bestowing this prestigious recognition, we are honored to show the "Bernie Mac Memorial Scholarship" ensuring that his legacy continues to support and inspire future artists, comedians, and performers who embody his passion and commitment to excellence. Furthermore, Bernie Mac will be enshrined in the Legacy Center, where he will be posthumously awarded the "Rising Star Award" celebrating his extraordinary journey from humble beginnings to becoming a legendary figure in entertainment. His life's work reflected perseverance, authenticity, and a dedication to bringing joy to others—qualities that align with our mission to educate, empower, and elevate.

We look forward to commemorating Bernie Mac's contributions with the dignity and honor they deserve. His legacy is still alive in the hearts of many, and through this honorary doctorate, scholarship, and recognition at the Legacy Center, we reaffirm our commitment to preserving and celebrating the lives of those who have made an undeniable impact on the world. We appreciate your consideration and look forward to honoring Bernie Mac's life and legacy at our 2025 commencement.

Respectfully,

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