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For Immediate Release

GSU to feature Les Brown as Distinguished Lecturer

University Park, July 10, 2006 - The College of Arts and Sciences at Governors State University will host best selling author, radio host, and renowned motivational speaker Les Brown as part of its ongoing Distinguished Lecture Series. The event will take place on Tuesday, July 18, from 4:30 to 6 p.m., in Engbretson Hall on the university's main campus, located at 1 University Parkway, University Park, Illinois.

"We're proud to be able to bring Mr. Brown to campus," said Dr. Eric Martin, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. "In many ways, his dedication to self-education mirrors that same trait in our students. We strive to provide our students and the community with a diverse educational experience. Mr. Brown's motivational speech will be an excellent compliment to our academic focus."

Les Brown has risen to national prominence by delivering a high energy message, explaining how to shake off mediocrity and live up to individual greatness. He is the author of three books including "Live Your Dreams", "It's Not Over Until You Win", and "Up Thoughts For Down Times". Brown is the former host of a nationally syndicated talk show and now hosts "Chicago Talks" every Sunday on V-103. He was also previously named one of the World's Top Five Speakers by Toastmasters.

The event is free and open to the public. For additional information, contact Sheree Sanderson at (708) 534-3956 or s-sanderson@govst.edu.