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**Athletic Director, Renowned Chef, and Marketing Guru to be Featured on Panel at 11th
Annual Women’s Leadership Conference in Las Vegas**

Acclaimed investigative journalist and author Lisa Ling opens the conference as keynote, presenting to sold-out audience; CNN’s Natalie Allen returns as host at MGM Grand Conference Center August 7 & 8

LAS VEGAS – July 26, 2017 – Three women at the top of their fields will offer insights into leadership and advancing in the workplace during a featured panel at MGM Resorts Foundation’s Women’s Leadership Conference (WLC) Aug. 7 & 8 at MGM Grand Hotel & Casino in Las Vegas, NV.

Now its 11th year, the conference has sold out for the fourth year in a row. More than 1,000 people are registered to attend the two-day event, which offers attendees custom-designed programming to help them grow their careers.

Natalie Allen, who is returning as conference host for the fourth time, will moderate “Change: The Mantra of Career Growth,” an executive leadership panel discussion scheduled for Aug. 7. The panel will feature local and national senior leaders, including:

Desiree Reed-Francois, a rising star in the world of college athletics administration and the newly appointed Director of Athletics at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. She is the first Hispanic female athletics director in the Football Bowl Subdivision, formerly known as Division 1-A, the top level of college football in the United States. Before her career in college athletics, Reed-Francois was a lawyer and also spent time as a legal associate for the Oakland Raiders and the NFL’s Management Council.

Pati Jinich, the television host, renowned chef and author, has had a remarkable career that started in politics and transitioned to pursuing her passion of cooking Mexican cuisine on national television. After receiving a master’s degree in Latin American Studies from Georgetown University, she worked as a political analyst. Now she is resident chef of the Mexican Cultural Institute in Washington, D.C.

Katherine Twells currently leads the customer marketing organization for the Coca-Cola Company for the Western United States. After serving as Vice President for Area Sales in California, she moved into a marketing leadership role where she is responsible for leading a

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team of innovative marketers that foster strong customer relationships for Coca-Cola across the Western United States. She has been with The Coca-Cola Company for 28 years, serving in positions of increasing responsibility covering multiple geographies and business systems. Her experience includes accountability for large national customer relationships, as well as leading diverse teams of sales and marketing professionals.

The Women's Leadership Conference will feature a full schedule of keynotes and panel discussions with local and national thought leaders. Acclaimed investigative journalist and inspirational speaker Lisa Ling, the first female coach in NFL history Jen Welter, and leadership expert Carla Harris round out a roster of other successful speakers and panelists. For a full list of announced speakers, please visit: mgmresortsfoundation.org/WLC.

Conference background:

The 2017 Women's Leadership Conference theme is "Women Inspiring Women." The conference will offer a wide range of learning opportunities, career guidance and personal growth tools, including:

- Exposure to diverse and nationally recognized speakers and accomplished women role models.
- Two days of career-oriented workshops that will give women hands-on opportunities to develop skills based on their career needs.
- Three distinct learning tracks: Emerging Leaders, Emerging Executives and Executives.
- Workshops for entrepreneurs who are well-established or just thinking of starting their own businesses.

The conference is open to women of all ethnicities, professions and social backgrounds, locally and nationally, and men who support them. The MGM Resorts Foundation is the conference's presenting sponsor. Each year, proceeds from the conference after costs, are donated to one or more local nonprofit agencies devoted to the welfare and development of women and children. Dress for Success Southern Nevada recently received a \$30,000 gift from the 2016 conference.

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