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Photographed (Left to Right): Rood Meliscat, 10th grade student, Halsey Academy of Finance; David Sharkey, Marriott; Pat Strocchia, Marriott; Stephen Williams, Principal, Halsey Academy of Finance; Catherine Milone, Junior Achievement of NJ; John Magnifico, Marriott; and Princess Woodard, 10th grade student, Halsey Academy of Finance.

Hundreds of NJ Youth to Benefit from Marriott Junior Achievement Partnership

Elizabeth, NJ (January 19, 2012)- Marriott's New Jersey Business Council presented Junior Achievement of New Jersey a check in the amount of \$8,339.06 that will help fund *JA Job Shadow* events and *JA High School Heroes* initiatives. The job shadow programs will be hosted by various Marriott's and introduce students to the world of work in the hospitality industry. The *JA High School Heroes* initiatives are service-learning projects for high school students who are trained to teach JA's curriculum in local elementary schools, honing their presentation skills while serving as role models.

About Junior Achievement® (JA)

Junior Achievement's (JA) mission is to inspire and prepare young people to succeed in a global economy. Through a dedicated volunteer network, JA provides in-school and after-school programs for students in grades K-12. JA offers work readiness programs that focus on seven key content areas: business, citizenship, economics, entrepreneurship, ethics/character, financial literacy, and career development. JA programs reach over 4 million students per year, in 124 markets in urban, rural and suburban areas in all 50 states across the US. In New Jersey, JA will reach more than 46,000 students this school year. Visit www.janj.org.