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A Wealth of Family Wins Award for Multicultural Non-Fiction

PubInsider.com Announces the National Indie Excellence Book Award Winners

LOS ANGELES, CA (May 1, 2007) — PubInsider.com, the premiere online magazine and publishing industry consulting firm, announced the winners of its NATIONAL 2007 INDIE EXCELLENCE 2007 BOOK AWARDS. ***A Wealth of Family: An Adopted Son's International Quest for Heritage, Reunion and Enrichment*** by Thomas Brooks was named the winner in the Multicultural Non-Fiction category.

Winners were announced in over 60 categories covering print, audio, and e-books. Jeff Bowen, president and publisher of PubInsider.com, says of the awards, "The 2007 results represent a phenomenal mix of books from a wide array of publishers throughout the United States and a healthy dose of newcomers to watch!" Complete results are available at www.pubinsider.com/indieresults.html.

This is the third major honor for *A Wealth of Family*. Previously, the book was named a "Best Books" Award Winner by *USA Book News*. The title was also designated a Book of the Year Award Finalist by *ForeWord Magazine*. In addition, *A Wealth of Family* is a No. 1 Amazon.com Bestseller for the Adoption category and for the African-American Studies category as well.

This compelling, bestselling account of adoption, reunion and heritage provides a timely and provocative perspective on multicultural families and powerful insights on overcoming racism and poverty. Brooks grew up as the only child of a struggling single mother in inner-city Pittsburgh. He was battling racial stereotypes at school and searching for a place among his peers. Then he was told at age eleven that he had been adopted as an infant. He did not know it at the time, but Brooks had actually been born to a white biological mother who descended from Lithuanian Jews and a black Kenyan foreign student father. Years after that stunning revelation, Brooks escaped the ghetto and traveled to search for his heritage. He found his biological mother in London with his previously unknown British siblings. He then located his biological father and extended family in Nairobi.

Multicultural author Thomas Brooks has published several articles and spoken frequently on the radio and on TV. Brooks won a Career Communications Group national award in the *Technical Sales and Marketing* category. Brooks was formerly a Director of Marketing at Lucent Technologies. Since 2002 the entrepreneur has served as Managing Director of Alpha Multimedia, Inc. For more info on Brooks and his heartwarming book, visit: www.AlphaMultimedia.com/PressRoom.htm

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