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**NETS DRUMLINE SELECTED BY NBA TO PERFORM  
AT NBA ALL-STAR 2007 FESTIVITIES IN LAS VEGAS  
FEBRUARY 16-18**

*Musicians members of the Brooklyn Music and Arts Program*

**-- Forest City Ratner Companies to donate \$10,000 to program --**

**EAST RUTHERFORD, NJ** -- The Nets DrumLine has been selected by the NBA to perform during NBA All-Star 2007 events in Las Vegas from Friday, February 16 through Sunday, February 18.

Established during the 2005-06 season, the Nets DrumLine is a group of 12 dedicated musicians, ages 15-18, which perform between quarters and during timeouts of several Nets games each season. The DrumLine performers, all of whom are Brooklyn residents, are members of the Brooklyn Music and Arts Program, a not-for-profit youth development organization that is based in Fort Greene. Each DrumLine musician is required by the program to maintain a 3.0 grade point average and to attend practice four days a week for three hours a day.

The DrumLine is scheduled to perform at certain timeouts during NBA All-Star 2007, including Friday's T-Mobile Rookie Challenge & Youth Jam, Saturday's Sprite Slam Dunk contest, the PlayStation Skills Challenge, the Foot Locker Three-Point Shootout and the Haier Shooting Stars, and Sunday's 56th NBA All-Star Game. All events will be televised nationally on TNT.

In celebration of the Nets DrumLine's All-Star debut, Forest City Ratner Companies will make a donation of \$10,000 to the Brooklyn Music and Arts Program, while the Nets will help fund travel expenses.

"We are very proud of the Nets DrumLine for being selected to perform during NBA All-Star 2007," said Bruce Ratner, President and CEO of Forest City Ratner Companies and the principal owner of the Nets. "The DrumLine is not only one of the most popular entertainment teams at Nets games, but it represents the best of Brooklyn's youth. We are thrilled that it will be recognized on a national stage."