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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

**Bronx Community Board No. 8 Announces:
New York Yankees Youth Leadership Award Winners**

Bronx, New York, January 31st, 2014 – Bronx Community Board No. 8 is pleased to announce the winners of the New York Yankees Community Council Youth Leadership Award. Dr. Roscoe C. Brown, Jr., member of the New York Yankees Community Council, will present the six (6) Youth Leaders their awards at the Community Board meeting on February 11, 2014 at Manhattan College School of Engineering, 3825 Corlear Avenue, Fischbach Room, at 7:30 PM.

The NY Yankees Youth Leadership Award is an annual event. It was created "...to acknowledge young people who are providing a positive service to their community, the New York Yankees work in conjunction with the 12 community boards of the Bronx on an annual basis to identify five area youth in each district that are making a difference. These children make up The New York Yankees Community Council Leadership Corp. The Award provides a \$750 stipend for each Youth Leader selected (5 per Bronx Community Board). It is expected that the nominees will perform 50 hours of leadership/volunteer work as a tutor, mentor, community unity developer, and/or as an advocate against violence and substance abuse in the community. In addition, the five (5) Youth Leaders selected from each Community Board will be recognized for their achievements on-field during a pre-game ceremony on their respective Bronx Community Board's Day at Yankee Stadium.

Bronx Community Board 8's Youth Committee Chair Lamont Parker led the committees' selection of five youth from the board area. This year's honorees are:

1. Nyasia Vandross was nominated by Riverdale Community Center (RCC) and is a high school senior at Riverdale Kingsbridge Academy MS/HS 141.
2. Ana Rodriguez was nominated by Kingsbridge Heights Community Center (KHCC) and is a high school senior at Truman High School
3. Rosalyn Rodriguez was nominated by Kingsbridge Heights Community Center (KHCC) and is a high school senior at the Bronx High School for Writing and Communication (Evander Campus).
4. Dominic Batista was nominated by Marble Hill Community Center and is in second grade at PS 37.
5. Julissa Nunez was nominated by Riverdale Neighborhood House (RNH) and is a high school senior at MS/HS 368 In-Tech Academy.
6. Juan Huertas was nominated by Ft. Independence Community Center and is a high school freshman at Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis High School.

The NY Yankees Youth Leadership Award winners and their biographies can be read on the Bronx Community Board No. 8 website at <http://www.nyc.gov/bronxcb8>.

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