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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE****Local Author and Speaker Takes Inspirational Personal Story  
to International Conference on Poverty**

**Hampton, VA, May 1, 2017** - Pamela M. Covington, author of [\*A Day at the Fare: One Woman's Welfare Passage\*](#), will present highlights of her welfare success story at RESULTS International Conference 2017, July 22-25 in Washington, D.C. Covington's presentation will provide insight into the struggles of poverty, stress the importance of continuing efforts to reduce it, and emphasize the need to preserve and improve the nation's social safety net.

Covington is among a variety of speakers presenting to hundreds of advocates attending the event. Others include Dr. Jim Yong Kim, President, World Bank Group, Dr. Joia Mukherjee, Chief Medical Officer, Partners in Health, Sherrod Brown, United States Senator, and Michael Gerson, Columnist, *Washington Post*.

"I'm grateful for the opportunity to speak to so many persons working to resolve the issues negatively affecting impoverished people," Covington said. "While anyone can simply point out problems, it requires a certain dedication to engage in solving them. RESULTS' far-reaching, solution-based activities are what attract me to the organization."

*A Day at the Fare: One Woman's Welfare Passage* is Covington's recently published memoir describing her plunge into and emergence from deep poverty, by way of education. The book demonstrates the importance of having an adequate safety net to aid low-income families, as well as depicts some of the pros and cons of the welfare system. It is available in paperback and eBook via [Amazon.com](#).

**About RESULTS**

RESULTS is a movement of passionate, committed everyday people who use their voices to influence political decisions that will help alleviate poverty. It is headquartered in Washington, D.C. To learn more about the organization, its domestic and global initiatives, and the conference, visit [www.results.org](http://www.results.org).

**About Pamela M. Covington**

A former welfare recipient and journalist, for over 30 years Covington worked in communications and training. Her articles have appeared in city lifestyle magazines, daily and weekly newspapers, and numerous company publications. Covington's speaking topics include motivation, self-esteem, welfare independence, and literacy and education. She holds master's degrees in management and human resource management, a bachelor's in communications, and two associate degrees. Covington serves as both a poverty and literacy advocate.

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To book a speaking engagement, schedule an interview, or request a review copy of *A Day at the Fare: One Woman's Welfare Passage*, call 1-800-909-4660 or e-mail [pamela@pamelamcovington.com](mailto:pamela@pamelamcovington.com). A speaker one sheet, book cover image, and author photo are available for download at <http://www.pamelamcovington.com/media>.