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Hampton Author to Present Inspirational Personal Story at International Conference on Poverty

Hampton, VA, July 5, 2017 - Pamela M. Covington, author of <u>A Day at the Fare: One Woman's Welfare Passage</u>, will present highlights of her welfare success story at RESULTS International Conference 2017, July 22-25 in Washington, D.C. Her presentation, which includes a reading from the book, will provide insight into the struggles of poverty, stress the importance of continuing efforts to reduce the condition, and emphasize the need to preserve and improve the nation's social safety net.

Covington is among a variety of speakers scheduled to address hundreds of poverty advocates in attendance from 46 states and nearly two dozen countries. Others include Dr. Jim Yong Kim, President, World Bank Group, Pam Fessler, Correspondent, NPR National Desk, Frances Moore Lappé, Author, *Diet for a Small Planet*, Sherrod Brown, United States Senator, and Michael Gerson, Columnist, *Washington Post*.

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.

"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."

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.

About Pamela M. Covington

A former welfare recipient and journalist, for over 30 years Covington worked in communications and training. Covington's speaking topics include motivation, self-esteem, welfare independence, 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. A speaker one sheet, book cover image, and author photo are available for download at http://www.pamelamcovington.com/media.