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## **Ed Kalegi Joins Envision Networks® America Weekend Lineup** *Now Hosting New 3-Hour Weekly Show*

(SEPTEMBER 2014) – **Envision Networks®** is proud to announce host **Ed Kalegi** (WBBR-AM/New York City) as part of the all new **America Weekend** lineup. **Kalegi** can be heard every weekend on affiliate stations of the **Envision Talk Network** with over 10 hours of original programming on Saturday and Sunday and no repeats.

“What a great opportunity! Every weekend I get the chance to talk with America about things that really matter to them and their lives,” said **Ed Kalegi**. “It’s a mix of useful information and news on the lighter side along with some great celebrity guests! It’s a crazy and busy world. My job is to make it informative and fun. If I made you think and I made you smile, then I did my job.”

“Ed Kalegi’s personality is a perfect fit for America Weekend. He takes a unique angle on the stories of the week and peppers many of them with his special brand of humor, making for a memorable show each and every time,” said **Michael Lichtstein, VP/Programming of Envision Networks®**. “We couldn’t be more pleased to insert Ed into our already impressive roster of hosts.”

Designed to be a break from the usual brokered programming and political fare of most News/Talk stations, **America Weekend** covers the lighter side of news and lifestyle issues facing today’s on-the-go talk listeners. **America Weekend** offers over 10 hours of new programming each weekend. In addition to **Kalegi**, the new lineup also includes hosts **Mike Bennett, Valerie Smaldone, Leslie Gold, Smith and Sabatino, Animal Radio®**, and **Into Tomorrow with Dave Graveline**.

The **America Weekend System** is the winning antidote to bad brokered programming and tiresome “Best-of” shows. **America Weekend** is designed to increase ratings while providing an innovative system for maintaining or even increasing revenue from brokered programs. The flexible **America Weekend System** provides the perfect platform to break away for sports and other special programming as needed.

For more information on **America Weekend** contact **Valerie Brooks** at 216-831-3761 or [valerieb@envisionradio.com](mailto:valerieb@envisionradio.com).

***About Ed Kalegi:***

*Ed Kalegi comes to America Weekend with a diverse background in Radio, TV, Film, and Stage.*

*Dick Cavett recently asked Ed: “Do you find yourself going through life saying ‘that’s Kalegi, spelled the regular way?” Not until now, but when Cavett suggests it; it’s a good idea to do it.*

*Ed is heard in New York City every afternoon delivering Traffic, Weather, and Sports on WBBR Radio (Bloomberg 1130). Ed’s also been heard on WABC, WOR, WFAN, WCBS, WINS, and more.*

*Ed was in the original lineup at UBA-TV, hosting a daily program along with Talk TV Innovator Richard Bey and Talk Radio legend Bob Grant.*

*On screen, Ed is the voice of the Stadium Announcer in the 2009 Sony Pictures Classics film “Sugar.” Ed shared the award of “Best Actor” at the Honolulu Film Festival for his role in the 2010 independent film “Angels.” Soon after, Ed was cast as a Radio Show Host (some stretch, huh) in the 2011 film “Blindfold.” Ed’s also been seen on TV in “Fringe.” “Law and Order,” “Law and Order, SVU,” and “Law and Order, Criminal Intent.”*

*Ed’s been a commercial Voiceover performer for many years, including a four year stint as the “Concerned Commuter” in New Jersey Transit radio commercials. Narrations have included a PBS Special on Sculpture, several Sports Documentaries including some for the New York Athletic Club, and hosting “Running” as seen on the YES Network.*

*On Stage, Ed has done regional theater at the “Bucks County Playhouse” in Pennsylvania and countless Murder Mystery shows in the New York City area.*

*Ed has co-hosted live events in New York City with Jon Stewart, Joan Rivers, Star Jones, Darryl Strawberry, Tony Danza, and many more. Ed spent several years as host of the New York Marathon Morning Warm Up, putting a smile on the faces of the 40,000 runners as they began their long journey.*

*Ed’s been the Stadium Announcer for the New York Yankees’ minor league team in Staten Island and the New Jersey Devils of the National Hockey League. He first sharpened his Radio and Acting chops at Rutgers University.*

***About Envision Networks®:***

*Envision Networks® provides content and services to more than 1,500 radio stations and reaches millions of listeners each week. Envision Radio Networks, Inc. is the largest independently owned affiliate relations company in the country and supplies all types of programming and services to radio including morning show content, short-form vignettes, virtual news-weather-sports broadcasts, live syndicated morning shows, long-form weekend programming, 24/7 formats, comedy services, event programming, off-air tools, web content, album releases and artist specials. Envision Networks® is based in Cleveland, Ohio, with offices in New York City and Nashville.*