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**SUPPORTING THE MALCOLM BERNARD HISTORICALLY  
BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES COLLEGE FAIR  
DURING NEW JERSEY HBCU WEEK**

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WHEREAS, the 11<sup>th</sup> the Annual Malcolm Bernard Historically Black Colleges and Universities College Fair of New Jersey will take place November 14-20, 2009 at regional locations throughout the state in Trenton, Pemberton, Paterson Branchburg and Camden; and,

WHEREAS, the state kickoff activities which will consist of an Ecumenical Service being held in the Patriot Theater of the War Memorial in Trenton from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM on Sunday, November 15, 2009 followed immediately by the HBCU College Fair; and,

WHEREAS, students are able to meet with college admissions directors and admissions counselors from over 40 HBCU campuses; and seniors can receive application fee waivers and onsite admission; and of the more than 7, 000 New Jersey students who participated last year, 2, 212 were high school seniors that were offered admission to an HBCU, a 32 % acceptance rate of all attendees, demonstrating the high caliber of academically talented students from New Jersey; and,


WHEREAS, historically Black Colleges and Universities have made a major contribution to our Nation by producing: 70% of all African American dentist and physicians, 50% of all African American teachers, and 35% of all African American attorneys; and,

WHEREAS, the mission of the Malcolm Bernard HBCU College Fair of New Jersey is to educate students, parents, and high school administrations about the value of HBCUs' and to provide HBCU's a large pool of quality candidates; and they implement and/or support programs and services that empower New Jersey's youth to become active citizens and community leaders such as the New Jersey Rising Scholars Recognition Program which honors the academic excellence achieved by high school seniors throughout the state who are interested in attending an HBCU; and,

WHEREAS, during this economic downturn top HBCUs' are reaching out especially to low-income students and offering an excellent education; often at a lower price than that of better-known universities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the New Jersey State Conference of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People will promote efforts to support the Malcolm Bernard HBCU College Fair of New Jersey through all Education Committees, all Units, and all Youth and College Units.

**Adopted: September 20, 2009**

  
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