



In honor of Black History Month, the NYSE recognizes the New York Chapter of One Hundred Black Men, Inc. In honor of the occasion, Paul T. Williams, President of the New York Chapter of One Hundred Black Men, Inc. rings The Opening BellSM. Joining him on the bell podium are:

Bennie Thompson	First Vice President, One Hundred Black Men, Inc., New York
Ferman Archer	Education Committee Chair, One Hundred Black Men, Inc., New York
David Banks	Founding Principal, Eagle Academy for Young Men
Michael Barker	Student, Eagle Academy for Young Men
Andre Vanderhorst	Eagle Academy for Young Men
Robert Marchman	Executive Vice President, Market Surveillance and Diversity Council Chairman, NYSE
Christine Tricoli	Director of Training & Development, NYSE and Mentor to One Hundred Black Men students

100 Black Men of America, Inc.

The mission of 100 Black Men of America, Inc. is to improve quality of life within the community and enhance educational and economic opportunities for all African Americans.

The Eagle Academy for Young Men

The Eagle Academy is an all-boys school, located in Bronx, New York, stressing academic excellence, leadership and character development. The school offers each student the opportunity to have a mentor to incorporate real life experiences as part of academic excellence.

February 18, 2005 members of One Hundred Black Men, Inc. (New York), including President Paul Williams, rang the opening bell to start trading on the New York Stock Exchange. Other members in attendance for this historic occasion were: Fermin Archer - Education Committee Coordinator; David Banks, - Founding Principal of The Eagle Academy for Young Men and Bennie Thompson - Chair of our Legacy Committee; along with students from our Eagle Academy for Young Men. The ceremony was initiated by NYSE to recognize and honor the work of the organization. Students from the Eagle Academy shared in the experience and the ceremony was viewed by over 130 million people via CNBC and Bloomberg television. See the attached for more details.