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To welcome to Columbus the play, "Young Black Men," and to commend Mr. James H. Chapmyn for sharing this message with our community

Whereas, this council welcomes to Columbus the play, Young Black Men, appearing at the Vern Riffe Capitol Theater on Father's Day, Sunday, June 19, 2005. It is being held on Father's Day in hopes that fathers will see it with their sons and it will also serves as a memorial to those fathers, sons, husbands and brothers who have gone on but are not forgotten; and,

Whereas, the play's mission is to raise awareness to the plight of our young black men in the community who are dying from violence, poverty and lack of education. This classic Choreopoem is an important play that uses drama, comedy and music to raise awareness of the plight of young men of color; and,

Whereas, the writer, James H. Chapmyn, has taken his own journey and gleaned a wealth of experience and practical tools to write this play through life experiences which include homelessness and having to rely on social services. Mr. Chapmyn is an expert in dialogue. He received training from Bethel College, Trinity Lutheran Seminary and Harvard University's Graduate School of Education; and,

Whereas, having toured the USA to rave reviews and standing ovations, this special presentation of "Young Black Men,"

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS: *that we welcome to Columbus the play, "Young Black Men," and we commend Mr. James H. Chapmyn for sharing this message with our community.*