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Suffolk County Courts to Celebrate Black History Month

CENTRAL ISLIP, N.Y. - District Administrative Judge, Alan D. Oshrin, is pleased to announce that the Suffolk County Courts will be celebrating Black History Month in a special ceremony to be held on February 4, 2002, at 10:30 a.m., in the central jury room of the Cohalan Court Complex in Central Islip.

Local school districts which have participated in the court's Outreach Program have been invited to participate in the celebration. The festivities will include school children singing songs and, in addition, reading poems and personal essays which they have prepared for the day. Moreover, guest speakers from the Amistad Suffolk County Black Bar Association, the Suffolk County Hispanic Bar Association, the Suffolk County Bar Association and the Suffolk County Women's Bar Association are scheduled to

participate.

"This is a great way to kickoff the month long observance of Black History," said District Administrative Judge Alan D. Oshrin. "Having the children in our community play such an important role in the celebration will make this a very special day."

In addition to the festivities scheduled for February 4, 2002, artwork will be displayed throughout the month of February, on the 2nd floor lobby area of the Cohalan Court Complex.

The press is invited to attend this celebration.

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