

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508
County of Cook and State of Illinois

TUSKEGEE AIRMEN PRESENTATION
TRUMAN COLLEGE

THE CHANCELLOR

REPORTS

that in observance of Black History Month, seven members of the Tuskegee Airmen presented a program at Truman College on February 10, 2000; and

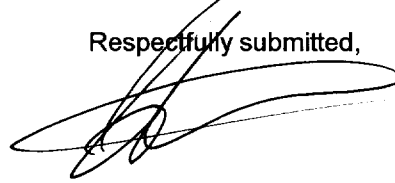
that the presentation focused on the Airmen's fight for the right to fly and the right to be treated as equals as America's first African-American combat pilots; and

that in 15,553 combat sorties, Tuskegee fighter pilots did not lose a single bomber to enemy aircraft, thus setting a record unequaled by any other fighter unit; and

that during World War II the Airmen earned distinction as one of the country's most decorated fighting forces, resulting in a re-evaluation of the War Department's racial policies and the desegregation of the military; and

that more than 250 Truman College faculty, staff and students come to meet and honor representatives from the Tuskegee Airmen in the lobby of Truman College.

Respectfully submitted,



Wayne D. Watson
Chancellor

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