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**KWANZAA OBSERVANCE 2009 - 2010
Malcolm X College**

THE CHANCELLOR

REPORTS

that Malcolm X College, in conjunction with the Bolozi Wazee (Council of Elders), successfully conducted its 15th Annual Kwanzaa Observance program. The seven-day observance included a variety of award-winning performing artists, including Dee Alexander, Corey Wilkes, Ari Brown Quartet, and Julia Huff, public speakers, culture-based interactive activities and seventy-one (71) regional merchandise and food vendors. In addition, Malcolm X College partnered with the Illinois Department of Public Health to host a Men's Health Fair, as well as, Black Noise Production to stage an original production of *Shades of My Skin*.

that the seven-day observance reached an all-time high of nearly 5,000 attendees, prompted by media coverage and third party endorsements of the quality and relevance of the Kwanzaa observance from Channel 11's Chicago Tonight, Chicago Tribune, the Chicago Sun-Times, WLS-TV, WMAQ-TV, the National Public Radio affiliate WBEZ-FM, WBBM-TV, WBBM News radio, WGN-TV, CLTV, WFLD-TV, as well as, numerous community weekly and online publications.

FURTHER

that on December 26, 2009, President Ghingo W. Brooks was appointed as Village Chief and renamed Omowale by the Bolozi Wazee. In this role, President Brooks will serve as a respected community advisor, teacher and role model.

Respectfully submitted,

Deidra J. Lewis
Interim Chancellor

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