

December 21, 2008

Bill Cosby

c/o Tom Illius One William Morris Place Beverly Hills, California 90212

Hello, Mr. Cosby:

As you know, you'll be performing here in Omaha at the Orpheum Theater at 4:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 21, 2009.

During your brief visit to Omaha, if at all possible, we again invite you to convey your thoughts, your message to inspire Omaha's Black community to "...hold up their end in this deal!"

Why Omaha? As reported in the Omaha World Herald in April 2007, although Omaha has five (5) Fortune 500 companies, the most for any U.S. city its size:

- At nearly 17% in 2005/06, Omaha has the 8th highest unemployment rate in the U.S. for Blacks;
- Black median household income in Omaha as a percentage of U.S. Black income has been falling for decades [currently below the U.S. average];
- Among America's 100 largest metro areas, Omaha has the third-highest Black poverty rate;
- Omaha's percentage of black children in poverty ranks No. 1 in the nation, with nearly six of 10 black kids living below the poverty line?

Here at Channel 22 [501(c)(3)], we consistently demonstrate a commitment to freedom of speech and diversity. Again, we invite you to participate in a one-on-one "live" 60-minute interview. In anticipation of your busy schedule, we'll clear our broadcast schedule to make this event possible.

Please respond ASAP.

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Have a great day!

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General Manager, CTI22

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