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The New York of the City offices Thurgood Marshall College Fund is closed Thursday, July 2, 2009 in recognition of the life and legacy of the late Supreme Court Associate Justice. The trailblazing attorney and jurist would have turned 101 on July 2.

Thurgood Marshall Sr.'s extraordinary contributions to American society are chronicled through photos, videos, speeches, and interviews available on the commemoration website at: http://www.thurgoodmarshalltribute.org .

Launched a year ago, the site has become the premier location of biographical information on Marshall, who in 1967 became the first African-American to serve on the United States Supreme Court. On the way, he also made lasting contributions as a private practice lawyer, Chief Counsel for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), Director-General for the NAACP Legal Defense Fund, judge appointed to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, and U.S. Solicitor General.

The site also includes tributes from judges, lawyers, community leaders, executives and celebrities; and looks back at Justice Marshall's educational experiences at Lincoln University in Pennsylvania and Howard University School of Law.

Visitors can also offer their own thoughts and reflections about Justice Marshall's life, legacy and impact on the educational system in America.

The Thurgood Marshall College Fund, Inc., named for the late U.S. Supreme Court Associate Justice, was established in 1987 and represents 47 public Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) and 6 law schools located in 22 states and the US Virgin Islands with a population of over 235,000 students. Over the last 21 years, TMCF has awarded more than

$100 million in leadership development, programmatic and capacity support, and scholarships enabling more than 12,000 students to attend public HBCUs. It is the only national organization of its type that provides merit-based scholarships and programmatic support to students attending the nation's public HBCUs. TMCF also provides internship programs and joins corporate and foundation partners in providing leadership training and support to students preparing for undergraduate and professional schools. TMCF is a 501(c) (3), tax-exempt organization.