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THE CITY OF WHITE PLAINS YOUTH BUREAU CELEBRATES MENTORS DURING NATIONAL MENTORING MONTH

White Plains, NY – January 24, 2017 – January is National Mentoring Month and the City of White Plains Youth Bureau will recognize 30 mentors who spend time weekly with their mentees providing guidance and direction at a ceremony in the Common Council Chamber in City Hall on Thursday, January 26, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. This is the 29th year that the Youth Bureau has recognized mentors in our community.

Mentoring is a strategy that can help create a path to success in adulthood for children. Mayor Roach said, “Our young people need role models and heroes; people they can look up to and emulate. Mentors are essential as they contribute to the positive development of our youth by helping them grow, learn and succeed.”

Youth Bureau Director Frank Williams, Jr. said he has witnessed the power of mentoring which can change the trajectory of a youth from hopelessness to hopeful -- from despair to optimism. Children need not only to believe in themselves, they need to know that someone stands in their corner.

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