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#### Central Ohio Somali Students Celebrated for Academic Achievement

By PATRICK PRESTON

#### **COLUMBUS, Ohio --**

Central Ohio's Somali-American community celebrated its high school and college graduates on July 10, 2010 as a means of motivating younger Somali students and countering negative portrayals and stereotypes. The inaugural Ohio Somali Graduation Ceremony is intended to continue as an annual event recognizing academic achievement and educational excellence by shining a spotlight on stories of success and awarding scholarships.

"I see that as a need because there's a lot of students either they drop out because school is hard for them, but if you stick through it you'll be successful," said Ayub Ibrahim, a recent graduate of Horizon Science Academy in Columbus.

Organizer Jibril Hirsi chaired the committee that put the event together. Hirsi, who also serves as executive director of the Somali Community Access Network, or SomaliCAN, said the message of success is vital in central Ohio. "Especially with youth, we want them to succeed in education and excel academically so they can become productive citizens," Hirsi said.

The ceremony also serves to present a positive view of the Somali community to combat labels arising from news coverage overseas. "When you say you're from Somalia people automatically say, 'Are you a pirate or something?' On television, nothing good ever comes out of Somalia," Ibrahim said. "Somali students can succeed and if you want an example, here's a group of Somali students that actually graduated from high school, plan on going to college and do great things in life."

Damaashaadka Ardavda Soomaaliyeed ee ka Qalinjebiyey Jaamacadaha iyo Dugsiyada Sare ee Ohio- Jibril Hirsi

Magaalada Columbus ee Gobolka Ohio waxa ka dhacday xaflad si wacan loo soo agaasimay oo ay soo qabangaabiyeen macallimiinta iyo agoon yahannada Soomaaliyeed ee gobolka Ohio, dalka Maraykanka maalintii Sabtida Luulyo 10, 2010.

Xafladda oo loogu talo galay in lagu sharfo ardayda Soomaaliyeed ee dhammeeyey waxbarashada dugsiyada sare iyo jaamacadaha gobolka ayaa u dhacday si heer sare ah iyadoo arday dhan 119 arday oo dugsi sare ah iyo 53 arday oo heer jaamacadeed ah lagu guddoonsiiyey xafladdaas. Boqollaal shahaadooyin waalidiin, macallimiin, aqoon yahan, iyo mas'uuliyiin xilal u haya qaybaha kala duwan ee dalka Maraykanka ayaa ka soo qayb galay xafladda.

Ugu horreyn xafladda waxa furtay oo si habsami leh u xiriirisay Idil Cabdi Cismaan oo ah wariye la shaqaysa qabaha Soomaaliga iyo Afrikaanka ee idaacadda VOA iyadoo cod baahiyeha ku soo dhaweysay Sheekh Aadam Sheekh Cabdille oo ah imaamka Masjidka ugu weyn Columbus ee Ibnu Taymiya. Waxa uu sheikh Aadam ka hadlay ahmiyadda ay tacliintu leedahay iyo sida diinta Islaamku u ammaantay dadka wax barta. Wacdigaas ka dib, waxaa xafladda lagu soo bandhigay sawirro muujinaya Soomaalida iyo dhaqankeeda iyadoo uu faahfaahin ka bixiyey sawirradaas Dr. Cabdinuur Sheekh Maxamed oo u shaqeeya Wasaaradda Waxbarashada Gobolka Ohio isla markaasna ka mid ahaa howl wadeennadii xafladda. Tusmadaasi waxay socotay intii ay casheynayeen ka soo qaybgaleyaasha xafladdu.

Cashada ka dib waxa hadalka qaatay Jibril Hirsi oo ah guddoomiyaha guddiga qabanqaabada xafladda, ahna SomaliCAN, guddoomiyaha isagoo ka warramay ujeeddada laga leeyahay xafladda oo uu sheegay in xafladdan oo kale la qaban doono sannad walba si loogu guubaabiyo in da'yartu ku tartamaan waxbarashada. Waxa uu Jibril sheegay in xafladdan ay ka soo shaqeeyeen macallimiinta Soomaalida ah ee wax ka dhiga dugsiyada iyo jaamacadaha Ohio isagoo u mahad naqay dhammaan dugsiyada, jaamacadaha, ururrada iyo dadweynaha taageeray xafladda iyo dadka ka soo qayb galay. Intii uusan hadalka ka bixin, wuxuu Jibril u yeeray garyaqaan Russell Flickinger oo halkaas lix arday ku guddoonsiiyey lacag dhan \$3000 oo ah deeqo waxbarasho. Lacagtaas ayuu garyaqaanku arday walba gacanta ka saaray jeeg ah \$500 taas oo farxad gelisay ardaydii iyo waalidkaba. Dadweynihii iyo ardaydii xafladda ka soo qaybgalay waxa la hadlay Duqa magaalada Columbus Michael Coleman oo si gaar ah billad sharaf u guddoonsiiyey SomaliCAN iyo shan xubnood oo jaaliyadda ah.

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#### Damaashaadka Aqoonta: Ka yimid Bogga 2

Columbus Mayor Michael Coleman presented a certificate of recognition for SomaliCAN for their dedication to empowering the community. The Mayor also presented five Presidential Service Awards to five Somali Americans who dedicated their time and energy to community service. Recepients included Adam O'Hirsi, Khadra Mohamed, Asha Yusuf and Najma Nur. Each award consisted of a certificate, a letter singed by President Obama and a Presidential gold medal award.

Participants of the event included elected officials, educators, students, parents and community members. Congresswoman Mary Jo Kilroy presented a congressional award to SomaliCAN for organizing a successful event. Franklin County Commissioner, John O'Grady, stated that he supports the work SomaliCAN is empower the community. doing Commissioner Marilyn Brown and her husband Eric Brown who is Ohio's Chief Justice were recognized by graduation committee.

Special thanks go to Idil Osman who was the Master of Ceremony at the graduation. The graduation committee including all Somali teachers in Ohio including Jibril Hirsi, Abdinur Mohamed, and Abdikarim Gole are recognized as pillars of this community.

The event was supported by the Ohio State University, Ohio University, Columbus State College, Community Denison University, Franklin County Children Services, Law office of Russell Flickinger, Nexus Counseling, Dahabshiil, Tawakal, Accessible Home Health, Hodan Global, Mustagbal, Kaah, individuals and Somali businesses.

The members of the coordinating committee for the Somali graduation program were Dr. Abdinur Mohamed of Ohio Department of Education, Mr. Abdikarim Gole of Ohio State University, Mr. Ahmed Muhumed of Somali Education Association, and Mr. Jibril Hirsi of SomaliCAN.

The next Somali graduation event will be held on Friday, June 24, 2011 at Hilton Easton, Columbus, Ohio. We look forward to having you there next year.

Billaddahan iyo shahaadooyinka weheliyey intaba waxa xafladdan ku maamuusay Madaxweynaha dalka Maraykanka Barack Obama oo u hambalyeeyey dhammaan ardayda qalin jebisay iyo waalidkood. Dadka billadaha Madaxweyne Obama gaatay waxa ka mid ahaa Khadra Maxamed oo haysata shahaado sare oo hannaanka maamul ah iyo Aadan Aw Xirsi oo ah madaxa barnaamijyada ee ururka SomaliCAN. Professor Steve Howard oo hormuud u ah qaybta Afrika ee jaamacadda Ohio University ayaa jeediyey khudbad duluceedkii xafladda isagoo ku dheeraaday ahmiyadda ay leedahay in ardaydu ku dadaalaan afkooda hooyo oo aysan hilmaamin iyo qiimaha gaarka ah ee ay leedahay agoonta afafku.

Shahaado sharaf ayaa laga simay aqoon yahanno Soomaaliyeed oo ay ka mid ahaayeen abwaan Cali Mire Cawaale- oo curiyey heesta calanka "Soomaaliyeey Toosoo", Dr. Xasan Cali Mire-Soomaaligii u horreeyey ee shahaadada PhD ka qaata jaamacad Maraykan ah, abwaan Siciid Saalax Axmed- oo curiyey heesta Macallinka, Cabdisalaam Sheekh Xuseen- Wasiirkii hore ee Tacliinta Sare ee dowladdii Madaxweyne Maxamed Siyaad Barre iyo Sahra Xuseen Mire oo ah macallimad Soomaaliya wax ku soo baratay iminkana wax ka dhigta dugsiga sare . Madaxda reer Ohio ee xafladda ka soo qayb galay si ay ugu hambalyeeyaan Soomaalida waxa ka mid ahaa Duqa Magaalada Columbus Michael Coleman, Xubin Baarlamaanka Maraykanka (Congress) u matesha Ohio Mary Jo Kilroy, Guddoomiyeyaasha Degmada Soomaalidu ku badan tahay ee Franklin John O'Grady iyo Marilyn Brown, Xeer Ilaaliyaha Guud ee Ohio Eric Brown, Wakiil barasaabka Ohio Dr. Venita Kelley, maamuleyaal, guddoomiyeyaasha waxbarashada, xeerbeegtida gobolka, iyo dadweyne aad u faro badan.

Shahaadooyin ay bixiyeen ururrada Somali Community Access Network-SomaliCAN iyo Somali Education Association ayaa waxa ardayda guddoonsiiyey Ayaanle Maxamed Siyaad Barre oo ka mid ah madaxda jaaliyadda Soomaaliyeed ee reer Ohio. Abwaan Siciid Saalax ayaa xafladda ku soo gabagabeeyey guubaabo iyo talooyin ku saabsan sidii ay Soomaalida qurbe joogta ahi uga soo dhalaali lahaayeen dowrka ay bulshada ku dhex leeyihiin. Gabogabadii xafladda waxa heeso ku saabsan waxbarashada ka qaaday goobta Sahra Abuukar- Sahro Dawo iyo Cabdinuur Daljir oo ka tirsanaa kooxdii qaranka ee Durdur. Xafladda qalinjebinta Soomaalida Ohio oo ka dhacday hoteelka

Hilton ee magaalada Columbus ayaa ku soo xirantay jewi wanaagsan oo farxad iyo raynrayn fara badani ay ka muuqdeen. Waxaan ammaan iyo mahad naq u soo jeedineynaa dhammaan taageereyaashii xafladdan gaar ahaan bogga www.Gedonet.com oo si wanaagsan u baahiyey wararka ku saabsan xafladdan, macallimiinta, iskuullada, jaamacadaha, ururrada dowliga ah iyo kuwa gaarka ah, iyo dadka ku bixiyey waqti iyo lacagba si ay xafladdu u guuleysato. Waxaan mar kale hambalyo u direynaa dhammaan ardavda Soomaaliveed ee ka jaamacadaha iyo dugsiyada sare meel kastoo ay joogaanba.







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- The greatest risk factors for Breast Cancer are being female and growing older.
- Early detection and effective treatment for breast cancer have been shown to improve survival.
- Making healthy lifestyle choices may reduce your risk of breast cancer.
- Breast cancer affects more than just the patient: co-survivors (family, friends, and co-workers) need support too.
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This conference explores community-based focused deterrence strategies to reduce drug and violent crime. Experts from Ohio and around the country will provide you with valuable information and resources to make your community a safer place to live.

When: September 8 from 8a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (Lunch provided) and September 9 from 8a.m to 12:30p.m.

Where: Dayton Convention Center, Fifth and Main Streets, Dayton, OH 45402

There is no cost to attend this conference but registration is required. For more information and to register, please visit the following:

Office of Criminal Justice Services

www.ocjs.ohio.gov/OCIRV.stm or call 614.466.7782 or 888.448.4842.

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**Police:** 

Emergency: 9-1-1

Non-emergency: 614-645-4545

Sheriff: 614-462-3333

**Mental Health Crisis:** 

Netcare Access: 614-276-2273

**Poison Control: 1**-800-222-1222

Columbus Health Department Free Clinic: 614-240-7430

**Legal Matters:** 

Legal Aid Society: 614-241-2001

**Child Abuse and Neglect:** 

FCCS: **614-**229-7000

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CMHA: 614-421-6000

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**Somali Services** 

SomaliCAN 614-781-1414

Somali Women & Children's Alliance: 614-

473-9999

Somali Community Association of Ohio:

614-262-4068

Somali Global Services 614-895-1144 Inna Simakovsky (Immigration Attorney)

614-599-0819

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- Prescription access
- Cultural competency
- Information & Referral

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### 10:30am Opening Ceremony Come to Hear Speakers:

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State Senator John Carey

State Representative Jay Goyal

Dean Fadel, Board President Franklin County Board of Developmental Disabilities

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