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Descendant of Famous Abolitionist Launches National Youth Campaign to Fight Modern-Day Slavery

(Atlanta, GA-Oct. 1, 2008) More than 30,000 students at 30 schools around the country will soon learn about the enduring crisis of modern-day slavery and human trafficking and how they can help end it. That message will come from Kenneth B. Morris, Jr., President of the *Frederick Douglass Family Foundation*, who is a direct descendant of both Frederick Douglass and Booker T. Washington. “Human trafficking is the second most lucrative illicit trade in the world,” notes Mr. Morris. “There are more slaves today than there have ever been.”

During the month of October, Mr. Morris will travel to seven cities to engage students at middle schools and high schools (most named after either Douglass or Washington) as well as a handful of universities. The *Frederick Douglass Family Foundation* exists to honor the legacy of Frederick Douglass by raising awareness about modern-day slavery and human trafficking in an effort to stop it. Mr. Morris’ presentation, “The Frederick Douglass Dialogues”, shows students, through the prism of history, the power they possess to affect modern-day human rights challenges using the Internet and their vast social networks. Mr. Morris will meet with students in New York, Baltimore, Atlanta, Tuskegee, Montgomery, Birmingham and Mobile in what the family plans to be the first leg of a more wide-ranging US tour.

The Foundation is working to provide each and every student with a copy of Frederick Douglass’ autobiography with the help of sponsors. The *Frederick Douglass Family Foundation* (www.fdff.org) is a 501(c)(3) public charity. For more information about the upcoming tour, sponsorships and/or contributions to help fund our effort to provide books to students, call 702-523-4845.

Mr. Morris will be in the Atlanta area October 19-24, 2008.