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## CONFERENCE TO FOCUS ON CRISIS OF ADOLESCENT AFRICAN-AMERICAN MALES

The National Urban League's Second Annual Conference On Manhood and Fatherhood April 30 to May 2, 1989 at the Clarion Hotel in New Orleans, LA will bring together leading psychologists, community leaders, representatives from church and school based male responsibility programs, public health organizations and League affiliates to discuss programs to meet the crisis of adolescent African-American males.

Meeting under the theme: "Manhood and Fatherhood: Adolescent Male Responsibility in African-American Families," the conference will be addressed by such leading Authorities as Drs. Nathan and Julia Hare, clinical psychologists in San Francisco and Dr. Na'im Akbar, former President of the National Association of Black psychologists and clinical psychologist at Florida State University in Tallahassee, FL.

The Hares, who have written a number of books and articles on the Black Family and black male/female relationships will address the conference luncheon at 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 2 on "Relationships and Rites of Passage."

Dr. Akbar, a foremost authority in manhood training will deliver the keynote speech Sunday, April 30 at 7:30 p.m.

The conference, expected to be attended by more than 300 people, will also address the growing problem of teenage pregnancy, child and family poverty and the need for positive role models.

"Every indication suggests that program operators and institutions represented at the conference will be brainstorming together as to how best to develop community-based responses and create alternatives to the very life threatening conditions such as drugs and homicides in the African-American community,' added Pitt.

For information concerning the Manhood and Fatherhood conference in New Orleans contact the Male Responsibility Project, National Urban League, 500 East 62nd Street, New York, New York 10021 or call (212) 310-9084.

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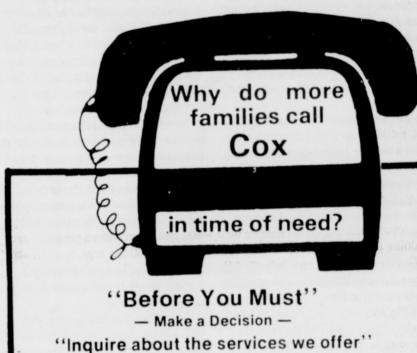
"More and more minority students who have great potential for success in business are making the judgement that their degrees and college background are meaningless in the market place," Mann added. "The Prudential wants to dispel that belief with its new program, and it wants to let these students know that our company is a place where this potential can flourish.'

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