

Affirmative Action Stands

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bonus out of a possible 150.

The cases put the Bush administration in an awkward spot. The White House had sided with white applicants rejected at the Michigan schools without endorsing an outright end to affirmative action.

"There are innovative and proven ways for colleges and universities to reflect our diversity without using racial quotas," President Bush said after Monday's ruling. "The court has made clear that colleges and universities must engage in a serious, good faith consideration of workable race-neutral alternatives."

In the end, the high court made only bare mention of the administration's argument that race-neutral alternatives to affirmative action are already working in

Bush's home state of Texas and elsewhere.

Opponents of affirmative action had hoped the Supreme Court would use this opportunity to ban most consideration of race in any

affirmative action in other arenas over the past decade.

O'Connor said the value of diverse classrooms extends far beyond the campus. Justices John Paul Stevens, David Souter, Ruth

consideration to blacks, Hispanics and to applicants from other groups the school says have historically suffered from discrimination.

The program has produced minority enrollment of between 12 percent and 20 percent over the past decade. There is no fixed target, the school said.

"This court has long recognized that 'education is the very foundation of good citizenship,'" O'Connor wrote, quoting from another landmark ruling, the *Brown v. Board of Education* decision that integrated public schools.

"For this reason, the diffusion of knowledge and opportunity through public institutions of higher education must be accessible to all individuals regardless of race or ethnicity," O'Connor wrote.

The court has in essence provided the nation with a road map on how to construct affirmative action programs in higher education that are constitutionally acceptable.

—NAACP President Kwesi Mfume

government decisions. The court is far more conservative than in 1978, when it last ruled on affirmative action in higher education admissions, and the justices have put heavy conditions on government

Bader Ginsburg and Stephen Breyer joined her endorsement of a program in place at the University of Michigan's law school.

The law school uses an inexact admissions formula that gives extra

Moose Moves On

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the county a "safe and secure place to live" but that it was time "to move on and explore other paths in life."

His book, "Three Weeks in October," is scheduled for release in October, one year after the sniper attacks.

In March, the county ethics commission ordered him to drop the project and barred him from serving as a consultant on a movie about the sniper case, saying a county employee may not profit on the side from his official duties.

The commission also said the book could undermine the prosecution in the sniper case by catering to "the public's thirst for all of those 'inside' details." The defendants' attorneys also object to the book, saying it could taint possible jurors.

Moose appealed in state court and also filed a federal lawsuit claiming his free speech rights were being violated.

County Executive Douglas

Duncan, who backed the police chief's desire to write the book, said that Moose told him he felt that he had to make a choice between remaining as chief and completing the book.

"He felt this was the best for everyone involved," Duncan said. "It would let him do the book and remove the cloud over it."

Moose's department was the headquarters for federal, state and local investigators tracking the sniper, and he became a daily fixture on national television during the investigation, giving news conferences several times a day. For many, he was a reassuring figure, especially when he let down his tough exterior to shed a tear for a 13-year-old boy shot and wounded at school.

Authorities arrested John Allen Muhammad and teenager Lee Boyd Malvo in the sniper attacks. The two have been linked to 20 shootings, 13 fatal, in Virginia, Maryland, Georgia, Alabama, Louisiana and the District of Columbia.

Future in Broadcasting Explored

A Lewis and Clark college graduate has earned a minority internship at Oregon Public Broadcasting to pursue a career in broadcasting.

Jesse Beason was named OPB's 2003 Jon R. Tuttle intern.

OPB endowed the Jon R. Tuttle Minority Internship 10 years ago to encourage future generations of compassionate broadcasters and journalists. The internship enables an outstanding minority student to spend the summer studying telecommunications and broadcast journalism in a hands-on environment.

The internship is in memory of Jon Tuttle, one of



Jesse Beason

Oregon's most respected broadcast journalists, who died in 1991 after a brief battle with leukemia. Tuttle was a lead producer for OPB's documentary unit. Prior to OPB, Tuttle worked for KGW-TV.

"He was one of the best writers for television I've ever seen," said Lew Frederick, former Channel 8 reporter and Tuttle colleague. "He had a sense of how to look at the essence of an issue and bring it out."

Beason, a Littleton, Colo. native, graduated from Lewis and Clark this past May with a degree in communications. He will work in a number of areas, including OPB Radio, the World History project and national and international production.

Church Chosen for Kendra James Forum

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When the officer was acquitted of any wrongdoing by a grand jury last month, a group of community members assembled at rallies and meetings to change the laws surrounding the deadly force policies used by police.

The group, including Rev. Roy Tate of the Albina Ministerial Alliance, found allies in the Oregon Legislature. Senators Margaret Carter, D-Portland and Avel Gordly, D-Portland, have found fault in the shooting and are working on re-vamping police use of deadly force laws.

James's death has also been on the agenda of the African American Advisory Council which was formed years ago to bring topics of its choosing to the police chief.

Both senators say they hope to attend the forum if they are not

needed in Salem for Legislative hearings that day.

Tate, Multnomah County District Attorney Mike Schruck and Police Chief Mark Kroeker also plan to attend.

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—Sgt. Brian Schmutz, spokesman for the police bureau

Assistant Chief Lynnae Berg has assembled a Community Police Organizational Review team to consider bureau training, policies and

selection and assignment of officers. The review team plans to meet for the first time after the community forum.

Northeast Neighborhood Coalition Director John Canda, who was

American community believe that policy changes may have prevented Kendra James from being shot, so the chief assembled a group to gather input from the community," said Sgt. Brian Schmutz, spokesman for the police bureau.

A prayer vigil called "Still Another Cry for Justice" is set for 7 p.m., Saturday, June 28 at the Skidmore Street overpass east of North Interstate Avenue, the location of the shooting.

The vigil is sponsored by an ad-hoc committee for Citizen's Regress, composed of the Urban League, NAACP, the Latino Network and others.

"The purpose is a continuation of prayer in preparation for the forum and the conclusion of the internal investigation by the police and for the civic action that is taking place by the James family," said Dr. Leroy Haynes, an event organizer.

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