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# 'Reflections' Anchors Northeast

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Gloria moved to Portland, where she started and manfor 13 years.

In 1995, McMurtry and two others joined in establishing in the newly built Walnut Business Center on the corner of Northeast Martin Luther King a meeting place for every- Americans leaving and more Boulevard and Killingsworth thing from new authors to lo- whites moving in. As her clien- they too might become a busi-Street. Located on the other cal musicians, and a variety of side of their building is the business groups. Northeast Precinct of the Portland Police Department.

When Walnut Park first opened, Reflections was a coffee shop, a bookstore and a ing Drum Bookstore.

When Walnut Park first aged a construction business opened, Reflections was a coffee shop, a bookstore and Reflections, the first business a gifts and flower shop.

tele changes, so must her ap-

Seated in the core Portland's African-American community, ness experience as well as it has always been. Thanks Reflections has always been the place to go for community residents, young and old. However, gifts and flower shop. The with agentrifying process going challenges that she may face sons in business management. bookstore is now called Talk- on, Gloria has to review both her with northeast Portland's menu and her goals. Each year, ever-changing environment, contributor to the Portland Her business also serves as the area is seeing more African one thing is unchanging. That Observer.

is her due diligence, dedication and hard work on a continuing road to success. In a business world consist-

ing of Wall Marts, Starbucks, McDonalds and many other large chain stores, McMurtry proves her winning formula. At the same time, she mentors generations of black women who dream that "someday," nesswoman.

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# **Raising Capital**

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> **African American Business Support** continued A from B5

tage Center - a \$68 million San Francisco. development project intended to institutionalize jazz in San

the revitalization of the his- and increased access to capitoric Fillmore Jazz District in tal among African American

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ment project contributing to provide outreach, education business owners.

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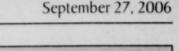
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Tara Herrick Natural Healing

Tara Herrick is a purveyor Repatterning, and discussion of natural, energetic healing. groups for parents. Reiki Her business draws on her (pronounced ray' key) is a diverse background to deliver individualized care and a healing therapy often used to compassionate ear.

Herrick holds a Masters Degree in psychology and is lunge into her own private the owner of Tara's Healing at 3769 S.E. Milwaukie Ave. She moved to the location a full-time job in research. after starting her business in the Northeast Alberta Arts grown almost entirely from District.

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