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### **Suffolk County Courts to Celebrate Black History Month**

**CENTRAL ISLIP, N.Y.** - District Administrative Judge, H. Patrick Leis III, is pleased to announce that the Suffolk County courts will be celebrating Black History Month in a special ceremony to be held on February 27, 2004, at 3:00 p.m., in the central jury room of the Cohalan Court Complex in Central Islip.

This year, awards of service will be bestowed upon two very special individuals who have demonstrated unparalleled devotion and commitment to their community and to the betterment of children. Mr. Christopher Tucker, a Court Analyst in the Supreme Court Law Library and Ms. Hattie Credle, a foster/adoptive parent of four children, will be given special recognition during this ceremony in celebration of Black History Month.

Moreover, guest speakers from the Suffolk County Bar Association and the Amistad Black Bar Association are scheduled to participate.

"This is a great way to celebrate the month long observance of black history," said District Administrative Judge H. Patrick Leis III. "Both Chris Tucker and Hattie Credle exemplify a spirit that all people should strive to emulate. They have selflessly dedicated their lives to the service of others."

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