## WEDNESDAY CONT.

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(5) "The Incredible Sarah" (1976) Glenda Jackson, Daniel Massey. The legendary Sarah Bernhardt becomes an internationally famous stage actress known and loved on both sides of the Atlantic.

(9) "Crazy Joe" (1974) Peter Boyle, Paula Prentiss. Joey Gallo reigns as a Mafia leader until he is shot down in 1972.

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(HBO) ELVIS: ONE NIGHT WITH YOU Rare footage of Elvis performing with a small group of musician friends reveals his warmth and magic as he sings early hits that include "Heartbreak Hotel."

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(39) WILD, WILD WORLD OF ANIMALS

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(2) (4) HIGHWAY TO HEAVEN
(5) P.M. MAGAZINE
(7) NEWCOMERS A look at immigration in the Washington D.C. area.
(9) (13) CHARLES IN CHARGE
(11) FALL GUY
(39) MOVIE "He Knows You're Alone" (1980) Don Scardino, Caitlin O'Heaney. A psychotic murderer stalks attractive young brides-to-be.
(29) RAYMOND MASSEY: ACTOR OF THE CENTURY A tribute to the 50-year career of actor Raymond Massey, whose starring roles included "Arsenic And Old Lace," "The Scarlet Pimpernel," "Abe Lincoln In Illinois" and "East Of Eden."
(35) TRAPPER JOHN, M.D.
(39) WORLD PROFESSIONAL BALLROOM DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP Juliet Prowse and John Monte co-host this annual event, featuring world-class competitors in Latin and ballroom dancing, from Madison Square Garden's Felt Forum.
(HBO) DISPOSABLE HEROES: THE OTHER SIDE OF FOOTBALL A look at professional football heroes who no longer share in the glory of the game includes interviews with O.J. Simpson and former Chicago Bears player Roger Stillwell.

—8:30—

(2) MOVIE "The Alien's Return" (1980) Jan-Michael Vincent, Cybill Shepherd. An elderly prospector and two children are engulfed in a beam of light that recedes into an extraterrestrial aircraft.
(9) (13) E / R
(13) JUST FOR YOU

—9:00—

(2) (4) FACTS OF LIFE
(7) (11) DYNASTY
(9) (13) MOVIE "First Affair" (1983) Melissa Sue Anderson, Loretta Swit. An attractive college freshman has an affair with the husband of one of her instructors. (R)
(13) NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC Richard Kiley narrates this close-up examination of the behavior of tigers in the wild, filmed in two of India's national parks. ☐
(35) MOVIE "Lifeboat" (1944) Tallulah Bankhead, John Hodiak. A lifeboat carrying survivors from a sunken passenger liner, as well as the Nazi U-boat commander responsible for the disaster, becomes a microcosm of clashing World War II ideologies.
(HBO) MOVIE "Hysterical" (1983) The Hudson Brothers, Bud Cort. A horror-movie spoof featuring a novelist in a haunted house, occult adventurers and the vengeful ghost of a sea captain's mistress. 'PG'

—9:30—

(2) (4) SARA
(29) ENTERPRISE
(39) BARBERSHOP JAMBOREE Taped in Alton, New Hampshire, this special features the Society for the Preservation of Barbershop Quartet Singing in America performing "Seven Old Ladies," "A Tribute To Lydia Pinkham," "The Ballad Of Lizzie Borden" and other favorites.

—10:00—

(2) (4) ST. ELSEWHERE
(5) NEWS
(7) (11) HOTEL
(29) ROCKFORD FILES
(39) ALFRED I. DUPONT-COLUMBIA AWARDS IN BROADCAST JOURNALISM The 43rd annual awards ceremony honoring radio and television broadcast journalists. Host: John Chancellor. Judy Woodruff, Ted Turner, Charles Osgood, Peter Jennings and Bryant Gumbel are among the presenters.
(13) NOVA
(13) MEDICATED GENERATION A documentary to educate the elderly about the potential for drug abuse when taking multiple medications prescribed by physicians.

—10:30—

(13) ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE: YOU ARE NOT ALONE An examination of the ways victims of the organic brain disease and their families cope with its effects.
(HBO) HBO COMING ATTRACTIONS

—11:00—

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(4) (13) RITUALS
(5) BENNY HILL
(9) BUSINESS REPORT
(13) COLORSOUNDS
(HBO) MOVIE "The Osterman Weekend" (1983) Rutger Hauer, John Hurt. A controversial television journalist is convinced by a CIA agent that his closest friends are really Soviet agents, turning an annual reunion weekend into a nightmare of terror. 'R'

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(2) BENSON
(4) (13) TONIGHT
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(7) ABC NEWS NIGHTLINE
(9) MAGNUM, P.I.
(11) M*A*S*H
(13) ENTERTAINMENT TONIGHT
(29) ALL IN THE FAMILY
(29) FROM THE AMERICAN FILM INSTITUTE
(35) LATENIGHT AMERICA
(39) SEEING THINGS

—12:00—

(9) WKRP IN CINCINNATI
(7) MOVIE "Counterpoint" (1968) Charlton Heston, Maximilian Schell. An American symphony conductor and his orchestra are taken prisoners by the Germans during a USO tour.
(9) MAGNUM, P.I.
(11) ABC NEWS NIGHTLINE
(29) ALFRED HITCHCOCK PRESENTS

—12:30—

(2) (4) LATE NIGHT WITH DAVID LETTERMAN
(5) MISSION: IMPOSSIBLE
(7) MOVIE "High Midnight" (1979) Mike Connors, David Birney. A construction worker seeks revenge when his wife and child are mistakenly killed in a drug raid.
(29) JIM BAKKER
(39) INDEPENDENT NEWS

—12:40—

(9) MOVIE "Happily Ever After" (1978) Bruce Boxleitner, Suzanne Somers. An aspiring singer is torn between her desire for fame and her attraction to a love-struck mountain man. (R)

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(39) JOHN F. PETO AND THE IDEA OF STILL LIFE PAINTING A look is taken at Peto's paintings which mirror the social and intellectual climate of America in the 19th Century.

—2:30—

(29) CHILDREN'S THEATRE "White Seal" Animated. Rudyard Kipling's story of a playful seal pup who grows up to be a leader of his fellow seals and searches for a safe place for them to live.

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(2) "Riders From Tuscon" (1950) Tim Holt, Richard Martin. Claim jumpers trying to gain control of a valuable gold mine turn to kidnapping and murder.

—5:00—

(HBO) "The Lonely Lady" (1983) Pia Zadora, Lloyd Bochner. On a televised awards program, a successful screenwriter tells the shocking story of how she reached fame. 'R'

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(HBO) "The Year Of Living Dangerously" (1983) Mel Gibson, Sigourney Weaver. An Australian journalist, a British embassy official and an Eurasian cameraman become caught up in the tumult of 1965 Indonesia just prior to the fall of Sukarno. 'PG'

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(HBO) "Champions" (1984) John Hurt, Edward Woodward.Dramatization of the life of Bob Champion, English jockey and cancer victim. 'PG' ☐

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(3) "The Sterile Cuckoo" (1969) Liza Minnelli, Wendell Burton. A lonely, mixed-up college co-ed tries to manipulate a naive, sensitive freshman into a romantic affair.
(9) "Dollars" (1971) Warren Beatty, Goldie Hawn. Two culprits are chased all over Germany following a bank robbery in Hamburg.

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(HBO) "The Outsiders" (1983) C. Thomas Howell, Matt Dillon. Teen-aged gang members in a mid-1960s Oklahoma town become involved in a murder, leading to tragic consequences for all concerned. 'PG'

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(HBO) NOT NECESSARILY THE NEWS

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(2) (4) COSBY SHOW
(5) THE START OF SOMETHING BIG Bob Hope, Joan Collins, Julio Iglesias and Raquel Welch talk about their early lives and careers, and host Steve Allen tells how such popular things as the bikini, Mother's Day and Uncle Sam got their start.
(7) WORLD VISION
(9) (13) MAGNUM, P.I.
(11) MOVIE "Saturday Night Fever" (1977) John Travolta, Karen Gorney. A young Brooklyn disco dancer develops doubts about his lifestyle when he teams up with an ambitious secretary to win a major dance contest. (R) ☐
(29) MOVIE "The Mephisto Waltz" (1971) Alan Alda, Jacqueline Bisset. Witchcraft turns a mediocre musician into a famed pianist, terrifying his family who are drawn up in the never-ending circle of evil.
(39) NATURE OF THINGS
(39) TRAPPER JOHN, M.D.
(39) WILD AMERICA
(HBO) INSIDE THE NFL Hosts: Len Dawson, Nick Buoniconti.

—8:30—

(2) (4) FAMILY TIES
(5) NEW TECH TIMES
(13) NEWTON'S APPLE

—9:00—

(2) (4) CHEERS
(5) EXCITING PEOPLE, EXOTIC PLACES On this tour of Africa, Nepal and India, Brooke Shields, Pam Dawber and Persis Khambatta visit the unusual, including a Masai warriors' ritual, a hotel built in a giant fig tree and a paradise getaway in the Himalayas.
(7) (9) SIMON & SIMON
(29) (39) MYSTERY!
(39) COMMON CENTS
(35) MOVIE "The Domino Principle" (1977) Gene Hackman, Candice Bergen. A strange conspiracy engulfs a convicted killer and his wife after the man is sprung from prison by mysterious "businessmen" to execute an assassination.
(HBO) GREAT PLEASURE HUNT U.S.A. Murray Sayles' search for exotic luxuries leads him to Beverly Hills and a formal stag party.

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(2) (4) NIGHT COURT
(13) SNEAK PREVIEWS

—10:00—

(2) (4) HILL STREET BLUES
(5) NEWS
(7) (11) 20 / 20 ☐
(9) (13) KNOTS LANDING
(29) ROCKFORD FILES
(29) ELIZABETH R
(35) SCREENWRITERS / WORD INTO IMAGE
(39) MOTORWEEK
(HBO) MOVIE "Of Unknown Origin" (1983) Peter Weller, Jennifer Dale. A bank executive, left alone in his Manhattan brownstone home, is menaced by a large, intelligent rat. 'R'

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(5) WRITER IN SOCIETY
(35) WORLD WAR II GI DIARY

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(29) WATER GARDEN A look at the public park in Fort Worth, Texas, designed by architect Philip Johnson.
(35) LATENIGHT AMERICA
(39) MATINEE AT THE BIJOU

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(HBO) MOVIE "Champions" (1984) John Hurt, Edward Woodward.Dramatization of the life of Bob Champion, English jockey and cancer victim. 'PG' ☐

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(9) WKRP IN CINCINNATI
(7) MOVIE "Logan's Run" (1976) Michael York, Jenny Agutter. Logan, a young man living in a futuristic society, is assigned to discover if life exists somewhere beyond his sheltered city.
(29) NEWHART
(39) ABC NEWS NIGHTLINE
(29) ALFRED HITCHCOCK PRESENTS

—12:05—

(9) MOVIE "Covert Action" (1978) David Janssen, Arthur Kennedy. A former American CIA agent in Greece probes into a fellow agent's death and finds his own life imperiled after penning a book about his experiences. (R)

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(39) INDEPENDENT NEWS

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(13) MOVIE "A Big Hand For The Little Lady" (1966) Henry Fonda, Joanne Woodward. A perpetual loser's wife manages to win back their lost savings in a card game. (R)

—1:00—

(13) MOVIE "Laura" (1944) Gene Tierney, Clifton Webb. While investigating a young girl's murder, a detective falls in love with her portrait.

—1:30—

(13) MOVIE "One Deadly Owner" (1974) Donna Mills, Jeremy Brett. A woman purchases an expensive used car which appears to operate under its own volition.
(4) FAMILY FEUD
(5) NEWS
(13) MOVIE "The Contender" (1980) Marc Singer, Tina Andrews. A small-town boy seeks fame and fortune in the boxing ring.
(29) JIMMY SWAGGART

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(4) HERE'S LUCY
(9) CBS NEWS NIGHTWATCH
(29) INDEPENDENT NEWS

—3:00—

(13) MOVIE "The Secret World Of Reptiles" (1977) Narrated by Marvin Miller. Examines the natural history and many species of reptilian life.

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## Africa sister-city comes to call

TYPEWRITER REPAIR procedure is explained by Westside Skills Center 12th grader John Montague (right) to P. M. Richards Director of Education for Bong County, Liberia, Africa.

Paul Mulbah Richards, chief education officer of Bong County, Liberia and a resident of Baltimore's sister city Gbarnga, arrived in Baltimore this week to study vocational education programs in Maryland for 15 days.

Richards will be studying programs that teach needle, masonry and carpentry skills. The tour is being sponsored by the United States Agency for International Development through a grant to the Sister Cities International Program.

Richards' itinerary will include visits to the Westside Skills Center, the Baltimore Urban League, the Occupational Training Center in Catonsville, and the Construction Trade Project at Carver Vocational-Technical High School.

The visitor is very familiar with Baltimore since he was a participant in the Teacher Ambassador Program of the Baltimore Public Schools in 1975. He also received his master's degree at Morgan State University during his previous stay in Baltimore.

# 61 fired Sinai workers get unemployment pay

By Valerie Smith-Madden
AFRO Staff Writer

Those 61 Sinai workers "fired" from their jobs when they participated in a recent strike at that hospital will now receive unemployment checks retroactive to the week of December 9, 1984.

Ronald Hollie, president of district 1199E, the National Union Hospital and Health Care Employees said that he expects Sinai Hospital to appeal the ruling of the Unemployment Compensation Board.

David Godoff, of Godoff and Zimmerman, counsel to 1199E, said, "The board did the right thing. We've always felt that Sinai's position was baseless and exceedingly mean spirited and apparently the board felt the same way."

Of the board's decision, Keith Brooks, chairman of the United Committee of Unemployed People, said, "It vindicates the strike; it is justification for them applying, but that should never have been an issue."

"What this shows," he continued, "is that Sinai went out of its way to hurt the strikers and the union and basically this was an attempt to punish people further besides firing them. It was a further attempt to rub their faces in the dirt, but it failed."

"If there was real justice in this situation, then the strikers would get their jobs back," Brooks added.

Leonard Marcus, vice president of Human Relations at Sinai Hospital was unavailable for comment.

Joel Lee, assistant secretary of the Unemployment Insurance Administration, said that the workers should begin to receive their checks by the middle of next week provided that they meet the other eligibility requirements for unemployment compensation as defined by the state.

Lee refused to comment on whether Sinai would appeal, but observers expect an appeal.

Said Ron Hollie, "I'm pleased that there are still laws to protect workers that cannot be perverted by vicious management such as we have at Sinai."

# Del. Young asking for child care ombudsman

By Valerie Smith-Madden
AFRO Staff Writer

"While I honestly applaud the work of the governor's task force, I think there are still some areas that need to be addressed," said Larry Young (D-39th), chairman of the Environmental Matters Committee, regarding the recommendations made by the Governor's Task Force on Health Care Containment.

Governor Hughes has presented to the State Legislature seven measures which comprise his 1985 health care package. These measures were taken from the 36 recommendations contained in the December 1984 final report on Health Care Cost Containment.

The seven proposals are:

1.2 An "emergency measure" effective upon passage by a 3/5 vote of both houses, that declares a moratorium on the "receiving and acting on" Certificates of Need for new hospital construction until October 1, 1985.

2. A requirement that physicians obtain a Certificate of Need before purchasing major medical equipment.

3. A proposal to give the Health Resources Planning Commission (HRPC) and the Health Services Cost Review Commission (HSCRC) more planning and oversight authority over hospital construction and charges, enabling them to respond to further changes in the system and health care situation.

4. A proposal to create a "state affordability limit" on hospital revenues; to give the HSCRC authority to regulate hospital services and to collect data on physician practice patterns.

5. A requirement that hospitals establish a "utilization review program" for all patients.

6. A requirement that insurers offering different benefits to users of lowcost hospitals figure the cost of medical education and uncompensated care.

7. A proposal to encourage the "voluntary reduction of excess hospital capacity by facilitating voluntary closures, mergers, consolidations or conversions," of drastically underused or inefficient hospitals.

In his efforts to ensure quality health care for all Maryland citizens, Young has filed three bills as the first segment of a three-tiered legislative package. Two of the bills expand the oversight functions of the State Health Services Cost Review Commission.

One bill will require the commission to define the types of service charges hospitals may levy. The second bill enables the Cost Review Commission to collect and publish data on physician practices.

The third bill establishes a Medical Review Board on Impaired Physicians, to investigate and discipline doctors judged to be professionally incompetent by

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# Slain guard Toulson honored by Exchange

By Racine S. Winborne
AFRO Staff Writer

Two correctional officers at the Maryland Penitentiary were the recipients of a special national award given to law enforcement officers injured in the line of duty and presented by the organization's local affiliate chapter on Wednesday.

The Exchange Club of Highlandtown made the presentation of the Blue and Gold Wounded in Service Award to Officer Herman Toulson Jr., who was slain while at the prison last year, and his partner who was wounded during the incident, Officer Willie J. Newkirk, during a 20-minute ceremony at the Knights of Columbus Hall at 600 S. Highland Avenue.

The award, a bronze medallion and citation, were devised by the Exchange Club of Mobile, AL which created the award to honor its law enforcement and police officers who suffered injury or loss of life while attempting to execute their jobs.

The idea was adopted by the National Exchange Club group as part of its ongoing programs in 1981 and is now presented annually throughout the United States.

Wednesday's ceremony marked the first time the Blue and Gold award has ever been given to correctional officers.

Explaining the award's purpose, the local chairman of the Blue and Gold Committee, Benjamin Neil said, "It is to enhance the public's level of respect, admiration, and appreciation for the severe sacrifices which law enforcement officers frequently make in the line of duty."

Officer Toulson was fatally stabbed while attempting, along with a fellow correctional officer, to transfer two inmates at the Maryland Penitentiary to their holding cells on October 6.

Officer Newkirk was seriously injured in the assault, one of several to occur that day, suffering stab wounds to the side and back. He has yet to return to active duty and is still under doctor's care.

The 37-year-old officer thanked the 50-odd supporters who gathered Wednesday to honor the two men and said, "It's nice to know you have some people who really understand the problems correctional officers face."

On a somber note Officer Newkirk spoke of his late partner and friend commenting that he regretted that Officer Toulson was not on hand to personally receive his award. Officer Newkirk also said that he felt the officer "had to die for no reason."

Accepting the posthumous award on behalf of the late officer's widow, Mrs. Dorothy Toulson, who was unable to attend the Wednesday ceremony, Maryland Penitentiary warden Howard Lyles praised both men for their courage.

"I regret that we have lost a fine officer in Herman Toulson whom I've had the opportunity to meet and work with personally. We know his death will not be in vain.

The warden also said that "We thank God Officer Newkirk was allowed to remain here and complete his," and said that he hoped the "appropriate precautions" would be taken in the future to prevent similar "tragedy and serious injury."

TOULSON AWARD — Exchange club member Benjamin Neil presents a plaque and medal to Warden Howard Lyles who accepts posthumously for slain correctional officer Herman Toulson, Jr.

# AIDS on the rise among Md. blacks

By Eddie King
AFRO Staff Writer

Blacks are definitely getting AIDS more than any other racial group in the Baltimore - Washington area, according to latest reports from the state's Office of Disease Control.

Within the last six months, 74 percent of new victims diagnosed with the Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome have been black. It is feared that the number might double by the end of the year if more attention is not given to the disease by the black community.

Scott Stamford, AIDS program coordinator for the state, said several attempts at reaching high risk groups in the black community, namely intravenous drug users and gays, have been unsuccessful.

"There are just not too many members of the high risk groups that are organized enough for them to be easily accessible.

"Black gays, for example, are not organized and do not have meetings. So, we cannot go to one of their meetings and say 'look, here's a problem.'"

Of the cases reported within the last six months, 34 were black and 12 were white, bringing the state's total of victims at the close of 1984 over 100, most of whom have died.

"Numerically, that doesn't look bad until you recognize that the numbers of cases have doubled each year since traced inception of the disease. It doesn't take a genius to realize that in five years we may be talking about thousands instead of hundreds."

Stamford said the concentra-

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# Minority contractors outraged over Mitchell building bids

By Racine S. Winborne
AFRO Staff Writer

Plans to rededicate a downtown courthouse in honor of the late civil rights leader Clarence M. Mitchell, Jr., who died of a heart attack last March at 73, have hit a snag and threaten to interrupt arrangements for the March 8 ceremonies.

The head of a local minority contractors association has written a letter to the late statesman's family asking them to "boycott" the special ceremonies and "support" his efforts to halt "a blatant case of racial discrimination."

Arnold Jolivet, president of the Maryland Minority Contractors Association (MMCA), has charged that the city circumvented the competitive bidding provisions of the City Charter when it awarded contracts to renovate the Courthouse West building.

The building located at 100 N. Calvert St., which houses part of the Baltimore City Court, is due to be renamed The Clarence M. Mitchell, Jr. Courthouse.

According to details of the letter obtained by the AFRO, the Board of Estimates approved the awarding of a total of eight contracts worth $134,073 for renovation work to be done on the building.

The letter was addressed to four members of the Mitchell family, including Mrs. Juanita Jackson Mitchell, Mitchell's widow, and Congressman Parren J. Mitchell, a brother.

The contracts were awarded for a variety of services such as replacing stained-glass windows and marble, re-bronzing doorknobs and repairing mosaic floor tiles. Each contract was awarded to a white contractor.

Jolivet, in his letter, said "Mr. Mitchell would himself stand up and denounce this kind of blatant racism."

Explaining the city's decision to conduct the contract awards in the manner that they did, City Purchasing Director Arthur S. Fournier said the March 8 deadline made it impossible for his agency to "go through a long bidding process."

"There were no identifiable minorities to do these specialized trades," he commented during a telephone interview late Thursday.

In addition to the tight deadline schedule, Fournier said the fact that the courthouse building is an historical preservation site and subject to strict guidelines during a renovation effort, "there was no time remaining between now and March 8" to conduct the standard competitive bidding procedures.

He did state that some "informal" bids were obtained by contacting those firms known to specialize in a particular skilled area and awards made to the lowest competitive bidder.

The city purchasing agent said he contacted the city's Equal Opportunity Compliance Officer, Mrs. Shirley Williams, for a list of qualified minority contractors who were then "invited" to submit bids on two contracts.

Mrs. Williams was unavailable for comment.

The minority firms failed to receive the contracts because, according to Fournier, their bids "were not competitive."

Jolivet denied that there were not any minority contractors available to work on the project.

"It is significant that the city never endeavored to find or identify qualified black or other minority contractors for these contracts," the letter reads.

During an exclusive interview with the AFRO on Thursday, Jolivet announced his plans to file a suit against the city in Circuit Court on Monday.

He also announced a Monday

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