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Media Advisory: African American Read-In

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WHERE: Buffalo & Erie County Central Library Ring of Knowledge

WHEN: Monday, February 2nd, 12:00 Noon

Book: *While the World Watched: A Birmingham Bombing Survivor Comes of Age during the Civil Rights Movement* by Carolyn Maul McKinstry

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Author to visit BPS schools at the end of February

On February 2nd, Interim Superintendent Ogilvie will hold a noon hour read-in at the Central Library's Ring of Knowledge, hosted by the Buffalo & Erie County Public Library. The author of the book, Carolyn Maul McKinstry, is a survivor of the Civil Rights struggle and an eyewitness to the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church bombing that took the lives of four of her young friends in 1963.

Participants at the read-in will be asked to share short passages selected by the author.

In addition to Mr. Ogilvie, readers will include Board of Education At-Large Members Dr. Barbara Seals-Nevegold and Lawrence Quinn, and Student Board Member Bicana Brown. They will be joined by Crystal Rodriguez, Commissioner of Citizen's Rights and Community Relations; Garnell W. Whitfield Jr. Commissioner, Buffalo Fire Department; Rasheed N.C. Wyatt, University District Common Council Member; Demone Smith, Masten District Common Council Member; Mr. Tommie Blunt, a representative of The Michigan Avenue Corridor; and the Rev. Will Mebane, of St. Paul's Episcopal Cathedral.

Students from the Emerson School of Hospitality and Hutchinson Central Technical High School will also be present. The public is invited to attend.

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