

MISSING TEEN MISHELL GREEN FOUND HOURS AFTER BEING FEATURED ON ABC'S "THE VIEW"

Green's Family and Derrica Wilson, Co-Founder, President & CEO of Black and Missing Foundation, Inc. (BAM FI), Are Guests, Live, Monday, February 27 Exclusively on "The View,"

When They Will Discuss the Recovery

ABC's "The View" (weekdays, 11:00 a.m.-12:00 noon, ET) and Black and Missing Foundation, Inc (BAM FI) announced today that missing teen Mishell Green has been found and reunited with her family – in a matter of hours after her profile was featured on "The View" on Friday, February 24. The show featured the second in a series of segments titled "'The View' on Crime: Missing Black Children" in which hosts Whoopi Goldberg and Elisabeth Hasselbeck interviewed Derrica Wilson, co-founder, President & CEO of BAM FI, along with the parents of Mishell Green, Janell and Champell Dash.

Green's family -- including her mother, Janell Johnson-Dash, her stepfather, Champell Dash, and her biological father, Derrick -- and Derrica Wilson are scheduled to appear, live, **MONDAY**, **FEBRUARY 27** exclusively on "The View," when they will discuss the recovery of Mishell.

Sixteen-year-old Green disappeared more than five months ago heading to an after-school program in Manhattan, New York. A viewer who recognized her profile from the segment immediately called BAM FI to report Green's whereabouts, which led to her recovery.

"This is one of the things that makes 'The View' stand out in daytime... our strong commitment to making a difference and drawing national attention for the search, recovery and return of missing children and seeing them reunited with their loved ones," said Bill Geddie, executive producer of "The View." "This is such an important cause to Whoopi (Goldberg), and we are grateful to her for bringing it to our attention, to Mishell Green's family for allowing us to tell their story, and to the Black and Missing Foundation, Inc. for their help and assistance," he added.

"This reunion proves how vital national media coverage is in finding missing persons," said Derrica Wilson. "As an advocate for missing persons of color, it is our mission to help bridge the gap in the disparity of coverage of our missing persons. I thank 'The View' for allowing us to share Mishell's story, and to the tipster who had the courage to call and report it."

Mishell Green's family released a statement in which they confirmed: "Mishell is safe and out of harm's way. We thank all who lifted your hearts and voices in prayer, who posted reports, who told about her disappearance, who called us with suggestions and who were there."

The family added, "Thank you to 'The View' for providing a platform that gave Mishell's story the media attention needed for her recovery."

A special thank you to the New York City Police Department for their prompt response in recovering Green.

About "The View" "

The View," a live, one-hour daily talk show from Time Square Studios, features Daytime Emmy Award-winning hosts Barbara Walters, Whoopi Goldberg, Joy Behar, Elisabeth Hasselbeck and Sherri Shepherd. It's the original forum in which real women discuss everyday issues, share their opinions and

engage in colorful conversations. "The View," broadcast in HDTV and produced in 2-channel stereo sound, is now available to watch online daily at 4:00 p.m., ET/1:00 p.m., PT on ABC.com. "The View" is produced by ABC Daytime and Ms. Walters' Barwall Productions, with Ms. Walters serving as executive producer along with Bill Geddie, who also serves as executive producer for "The Barbara Walters Specials." "The View" is directed by Mark Gentile. For breaking news and updated videos follow "The View" (@theviewtv) and hosts Barbara Walters (@BarbaraJWalters), Whoopi Goldberg (@WhoopiGoldberg), Joy Behar (@JoyVBehar), Elisabeth Hasselbeck (@ehasselbeck) and Sherri Shepherd (@SherriEShepherd) on Twitter.™

About Black and Missing Foundation, Inc.

Black and Missing Foundation, Inc (BAM FI) is established as a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization by a veteran law enforcement official and public relations specialist whose mission is to bring awareness to missing persons of color; provide vital resources and tools to missing persons' families and friends; and to provide educational training on personal safety. BAM FI offers a free clearinghouse which highlights profiles and information on missing persons of color nationally. Profiles of missing individuals, throughout the nation, as well as news, information and tips, can be found at BAM FI's website, www.bamfi.org, Twitter: @BAM FI or on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/bamfiorg

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