## Columbus Defenders Launch Truth About Columbus Initiative Featuring New Advertisement and Online Resources at <u>www.truthaboutcolumbus.com</u>

Edgy Ad Brings Up History of KKK, Liberal Radicals and Antifa Efforts Targeting Columbus

**Thursday, October 5, 2017**—A new website has been launched to battle the misinformation and misconceptions being spread about Christopher Columbus, and to fight the threats against Columbus monuments and celebrations across the country.

"Up to now, the campaign of flawed history and misinformation against Columbus has been allowed to proceed with barely any pushback," said Patrick Korten of the <u>National Christopher</u> <u>Columbus Association</u>, the civic organization that maintains the site.

"<u>TruthAboutColumbus.com</u> will help set Columbus's record straight and serve as a reminder that, as new Marist<u>polling</u> shows, the majority of Americans support celebrating Columbus and his key role in our history."

The new site exposes the Marxist roots of today's anti-Columbus movement and draws attention to the long history of bigotry behind the rhetoric, including anti-Spanish and anti-Catholic language still used today. In fact, the Ku Klux Klan opposed celebrating Columbus's achievements because they saw him as a threat to the purely white and Protestant vision they had for the United States.

"It is both tragic and frightening that far-left groups like Antifa are picking up where the KKK left off," said Mr. Korten. "Americans need to recognize that this attempt to destroy one of the great figures in our national experience is part of a shameful racist tradition."

NCCA is also spending tens of thousands of dollars to promote a digital ad they created to raise awareness about these unfounded attacks on Christopher Columbus and communicate his historic achievements. View it here: <u>https://ql.mediasilo.com/#ql/59d64531e4b08ea6fa0a09f1/e9c43b81-6dd3-423f-9698-</u>

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Additionally, the NCCA will be holding a ceremony honoring Columbus outside of Union Station in Washington, D.C. on October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 11AM ET.

Visit Truth About Columbus at: http://www.truthaboutcolumbus.com/

You can also read commentary on this topic by Mr. Korten here: <u>http://thehill.com/blogs/pundits-blog/civil-rights/347955-in-attacking-columbus-antifa-</u> protesters-try-to-finish-what

## About the National Christopher Columbus Association

The National Christopher Columbus Association is devoted to honoring the memory of Columbus and his historic achievement in linking the Old World and the New, as well as the higher values that motivated and sustained him in his efforts and trials. More here: <u>http://www.christophercolumbus.org/</u>