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**‘A Chance in the World’ will be screened on
Sunday, August 6 at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. at the Zeiterion Theatre**

*Based on the memoir by New Bedford native
Steve Pemberton on his story of resilience and empowerment*

New Bedford, Massachusetts– “A Chance in the World,” a new film based on the autobiographical book by New Bedford native Steve Pemberton, will have two free screenings at the Zeiterion Performing Arts Center on Sunday, August 6 at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Doors open 30 minutes prior to each screening time.

The story of Pemberton’s challenging childhood in the foster care system and his eventual success against the odds is a story of grit and resilience. The film is based on Pemberton’s widely acclaimed book of the same name, which chronicles the abuse he suffered at the hands of one foster family and the kindness of a neighbor that triggered a drive in Pemberton to succeed in spite of the incredible difficulties he faced in his early life.

A Boston College graduate, Pemberton currently serves as Chief Diversity Officer and Divisional Vice President for Walgreens. A panel discussion featuring Steve Pemberton and his former guardian, John Sykes, will follow the two screenings.

The screening is a free event presented by the City of New Bedford’s Office of Tourism and Marketing and the Zeiterion Performing Arts Center. Moviegoers are asked to donate to A Chance in the World Foundation. Pemberton will donate all contributions to the Boys & Girls Club of New Bedford, Nativity Preparatory School and The Upward Bound Program.

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