

New York City honors Central Park Five, wrongfully convicted of 1989 crime



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The words "Gate of the Exonerated" will be carved on the entrance at the northern end of Central Park in the neighborhood of Harlem. The Central Park Five were exonerated in 2002 after the real perpetrator confessed and DNA evidence linked him to the assault.

The five young men had already served prison terms of up to 13 years. They were between 14 and 16 years old at the time of their arrest.

Business tycoon Donald Trump publicly called for their execution, claiming they were guilty of the crime without offering any proof.

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