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Homewood means a lot to me, it's the place that made me who I am today. I'm a product of my environment and I'm proud to say it. So many people talk down on Homewood but they don't understand the true greatness of it. To me Homewood was and always will be the place to be, I spent my whole life in Homewood and I'm glad I didn't grow up anywhere else. The love and support I got from birth in the community always made me feel like I could do anything and I'm grateful to call Homewood my hood.

What does Homewood mean to me? Homewood to me is a fuel in my fire, all my life I always heard the negative about Homewood but in my head I never stopped thinking about the positive. I wanted to prove everyone wrong and I'm going to. I'm gonna help Homewood reach its full potential and everyone is gonna wish they were from here. Homewood is important to me because I wouldn't be who I am without it. The way I grew up was like no other and that made me the rare kid you see today. I dream Homewood can be the new black wall street. We have the potential to be the ones who make each other rich, the ones who start the new trends, the ones who take others in and care for them like family. The most important places to me in Homewood are 7015 Kedron Street and Homewood Field. 7015 Kedron is where I grew up. All I remember from my childhood was spending time with my family there and I'm sad to say that it will never be the same but I'm glad I still got those memories in my head. Homewood Field is where I played football ever since I was 3 years old. I never played for another team at any other field. Playing Homewood football is like no other, the family and pride you see when you go up there is amazing. It's one of the most important places in Homewood history. The most important people in Homewood to me are my family. Some of them are gone now but they made the journey worthwhile. I appreciate my family more than anything. We may not be rich in money but we are rich in love. They are the definition of a real family and I'm truly blessed to be a part of their lives.

As you can tell Homewood means a lot to me. It isn't just the place I was born, it's the place that made me. Everything wasn't sunshine and rainbows but that doesn't mean I couldn't have fun in the rain. My plan is to be the spark Homewood needs. We don't have enough people that take pride in where they are from anymore and that's not how it should be. I know for a fact there was a time when people were proud to be from Homewood. But who's to say we can't be like that anymore? We could be even more progressive in this new generation. You have to remember it takes a village, one man can't do it alone.

