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BIO

Dommonic Nelson is a growth-minded business professional driven by a positive desire to make a radical impact in various industries and improve the lives of others. It is his commitment to go from inexperienced to competent that has boosted his progression in business.

At 25 years old, he launched his first business; a kid company focused on bringing pretend-play back to homes across America. With his strong belief in Albert Einstein's quote, "Imagination is more important than knowledge," he co-created America's first patented puppet and pillow combination, powered by imagination. After learning that Jennifer Telfer, the creator of Pillow Pets, sold over 70 million plush toys worldwide, he set out to do the same, but with a focus on bringing storytime to life and reinvigorating the power of imagination.

He views his early business experiences as preparation for his incredible vision for to-go orders at restaurants being dubbed as The Yummy Box. In a few short months after launching this new type of smart locker, Houston Business Journal honored his startup as one of the twenty-six most innovative companies in Houston, and Google awarded \$20,000 in Cloud-Based Services.

He graduated from Texas Southern University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Maritime Transportation Management and Security. His prolific work ethic earned him a full-tuition academic scholarship and the opportunity to be the first African American student in TSU's 72-year history to be selected as an intern by the United States Coast Guard.

As a full-time student, he successfully managed a full-time job and volunteered weekly in many Houston communities. During his eight weeks as an intern with the United States Coast Guard, he received leadership training from high ranking officers and learned the importance of devotion to duty.

While his success as a young business professional, leader, and startup strategist has been immensely rewarding, he maintains an insatiable desire to join the United States Armed Forces. He wants to join and represent the best and brightest that America has to offer. Dommonic Nelson is a self-motivated individual that lives by the statement, "If you're not making someone else's life better, then you're wasting your time."

His love to learn and lead will keep him valuable in the marketplace and allow him to continue to make advantageous professional decisions that inspire others to bet on themselves.