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**RE: Repair Can't Wait - Immediately Pass H.R. 40, the *Commission to Study and Develop Reparation Proposals for African-Americans Act***

Dear Speaker Pelosi, Majority Leader Hoyer, Majority Whip Clyburn, Minority Leader McCarthy, and Honorable Members of the House of Representatives:

On behalf of the National Coalition of Blacks for Reparations in America (N'COBRA), the National African American Reparations Commission (NAARC), Human Rights Watch (HRW), the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), organizational members of the *Why We Can't Wait* Coalition,<sup>1</sup> along with the undersigned 365 national, international, state, and local organizations, and over 40 leaders, activists, and celebrities, we urge Congress to immediately bring House Resolution (H.R.) 40, the *Commission to Study and Develop Reparation Proposals for African-Americans Act*, to a full vote on the House floor.

H.R. 40 has a record 215 members of Congress committed to voting “yes” when the bill comes to the House floor. With this level of support, it should pass the House, so long as Leadership sticks to public

<sup>1</sup> *Why We Can't Wait* Coalition Statement to US Congress, July 30, 2020, <https://www.hrw.org/news/2020/07/31/why-we-cant-wait-coalition-statement-urges-us-congress-pass-hr-40-reparations-bill>.

promises to get behind it and advance the bill.<sup>2</sup> People in the US are now more eager than ever to pull back the curtain on institutions to see whether they have helped to advance or stall racial progress, and those institutions include the US Congress. As states, cities, and other institutions, including the state of California; Providence, Rhode Island; Burlington, Vermont; Tullahassee, Oklahoma; Greenbelt, Maryland; Detroit, Michigan; Evanston, Illinois; Georgetown University; the Jesuits; and others pursue reparations<sup>3</sup> at an accelerated pace, it would be sheer irony for the federal government, which sanctioned the kidnapping and trafficking in human beings that slavery entailed, and maintained subsequent anti-Black laws and institutions, to continue to lag behind.

H.R. 40 would establish an expert commission to study the legacy of slavery and how the failure to address harms stemming from it have resulted in huge racial disparities between white and Black people in: the ability to accumulate wealth; to access health care, education, housing and employment opportunities; environmental outcomes; and policing, among other things. The commission would also recommend proposals for how to provide repair for what the study reveals. This bill does not authorize payments or any specific remedy. It simply creates a commission to study the problem, gather relevant information, extensively consult with impacted communities, and recommend solutions. Like the commission that investigated the forced relocation and wrongful incarceration of Japanese Americans during World War II, H.R. 40 can help pave the way for a critical and truthful reckoning and accounting for past harms and the present harms that flow from them.

The US Congress made history when, on April 14, 2021, the House Judiciary Committee voted to move H.R. 40 to the House Floor for full consideration, the first time in the bill's 32-year history. Eight months later, as the enduring terror of white supremacy looms, the Covid-19 pandemic widens racial inequality, police continue to heinously kill Black people at alarming rates, and legislators continue to introduce scores of new Jim Crow-like voter restrictions, passing H.R. 40 couldn't be more urgent. While we recognize the importance of symbolic measures, such as the speedy and nearly unanimous vote in the House of Representatives this year to establish Juneteenth as a federal holiday, the House must similarly act without further unjustified delay to bring H.R. 40 to the floor for a vote so that a substantive study can proceed that can bring about real change.

Even amidst battles against truth about the country's founding, there is a growing acceptance that the legacies of settler colonialism and of enslavement can be felt today and that racism impacts everyone. According to a recent Citigroup study,<sup>4</sup> not addressing the racial wealth gap has cost the US economy up

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<sup>2</sup> Tal Axelrod, "Pelosi says she supports bill to study issue of reparations for slavery," *The Hill*, February 27, 2019, <https://thehill.com/homenews/house/431857-pelosi-says-she-supports-bill-to-study-issue-of-reparations-for-slavery>; Mike Lillis, "Hoyer expects reparations bill to get a Floor vote," *The Hill*, June 19, 2019, <https://thehill.com/homenews/house/449339-hoyer-says-he-expects-reparations-bill-will-get-a-floor-vote>; "House Majority Whip James Clyburn on H.R. 40 and Reparations," Interview with MakeltPlain, March 28, 2019, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QusKjt0OPS4&t=327s>.

<sup>3</sup> Soumya Karlamangla, "California's Reparations Task Force Meets Again," *New York Times*, December 8, 2021, <https://www.nytimes.com/2021/12/08/us/californias-reparations-task-force.html>; Madeleine List, "Providence mayor signs order to pursue truth, reparations for Black, Indigenous people," *The Providence Journal*, July 16, 2020, <https://www.providencejournal.com/story/news/2020/07/16/providence-mayor-signs-order-to-pursue-truth-reparations-for-black-indigenous-people/42496067/>; Zuri Hoffman, "The city of Burlington establishes Reparations Task Force," *NBC 5*, November 17, 2020, <https://www.mynbc5.com/article/the-city-of-burlington-establishes-reparations-task-force/34705446#>; Rachel Chason, "Greenbelt residents approve commission to study reparations," *Washington Post*, November 3, 2021, <https://www.washingtonpost.com/dc-md-va/2021/11/03/greenbelt-maryland-reparations-referendum/>; Candice Williams, "Detroit voters OK launching reparations commission," *The Detroit News*, November 3, 2021, <https://www.detroitnews.com/story/news/politics/2021/11/02/reparations-proposal-leads-early-detroit-returns/8570995002/>; Will Jones, "Evanston, Illinois, to begin pay reparations to some Black citizens this summer," *ABC 7*, June 14, 2021, <https://abc7chicago.com/evanston-illinois-reparations-direct-payments-for-black-americans-white-wealth-gap-restorative-housing-program/10734144/>; Susan Svrluga, "Georgetown students renew push for reparations to descendants of enslaved people," *Washington Post*, December 9, 2021, <https://www.washingtonpost.com/education/2021/12/09/georgetown-reparations-slavery-students/>; Rachel L. Swarns, "Catholic Order Pledges \$100 Million to Atonement for Slave Labor and Sales," *New York Times*, March 15, 2021, <https://www.nytimes.com/2021/03/15/us/jesuits-georgetown-reparations-slavery.html>.

<sup>4</sup> Citigroup, "Closing the Racial Inequality Gaps: The Economic Cost of Black Inequality in the U.S." September 2020, <https://www.citivelocity.com/citigps/closing-the-racial-inequality-gaps/>.

to \$16 trillion over the past 20 years. Revealing, through a federal commission, how federal policy has contributed to creating these inequities and their profound impact, could unify people across demographics and make clear that addressing and repairing these harms will benefit everyone.

The world is waiting to see how the US government makes amends and repairs the harm stemming from slavery, but every year the same message gets sent: Black votes matter, but not Black lives. Continued investments in good public policy measures, such as tax cuts for families with children and investments in affordable housing in the Build Back Better Act, are important, but public policy alone does not address past harm and has never been enough to end contemporary forms of racism, dehumanization, and exclusion.<sup>5</sup> Undoing racial injustice and achieving racial healing requires remedy and repair, a principle well established in international human rights law.<sup>6</sup>

We, the undersigned organizations, firmly believe that addressing pervasive anti-Black racism and providing reparations, long overdue, cannot wait another day, month, year, or decade. We are in a once-in-a-lifetime moment that we cannot let slip away if we are to begin the process of righting the country's wrongs. Voters will remember what Congress did and did not do when it had the power to act. It has that power now. It should ask itself: How do we want history to remember us?

We hope that we can count on you to be on the right side of history and move Congress to take this meaningful first step in the right direction. We ask that you bring H.R. 40 to the House floor for a vote as soon as possible.

We appreciate your time and consideration. If you have additional questions or need additional information, please contact Laura Pitter, Deputy Director of the US Program at Human Rights Watch, at [pitterl@hrw.org](mailto:pitterl@hrw.org) and Kenniss Henry, Legislative Commission Chair for N'COBRA at [ncobralegiscom@gmail.com](mailto:ncobralegiscom@gmail.com).

Sincerely,

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ADL (the Anti-Defamation League)  
Adorers of the Blood of Christ, US Region  
Advancement Project, National  
African American Community Service Agency  
African American Redress Network  
African Ancestral Society  
AFRICANS DESERVE REPARATIONS NOW!  
Allard K. Lowenstein International Human Rights Clinic, Yale Law School  
Alliance of Baptists  
All Souls Movement

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<sup>5</sup> Ibid.

<sup>6</sup> International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR), adopted December 16, 1966, G.A. Res. 2200A (XXI), 21 U.N. GAOR Supp. (No. 16) at 52, U.N. Doc. A/6316 (1966), 999 U.N.T.S. 171, entered into force March 23, 1976, ratified by the United States September 8, 1992, art. 2; International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (ICERD), adopted December 21, 1965, G.A. Res. 2106 (XX), annex, 20 U.N. GAOR Supp. (No. 14) at 47, U.N. Doc A/6014 (1966), 660 U.N.T.S. 195, entered into force January 4, 1969, ratified by the United States November 20, 1994, art. 6. UN Human Rights Committee, General Comment No. 31: The Nature of the General Legal Obligation on States Parties to the Covenant (Eightieth session, 2004), U.N. Doc. CCPR/C/21/Rev.1/Add.13 (2004), para. 15. See also, "Basic Principles and Guidelines on the Right to a Remedy and Reparation for Victims of Gross Violations of International Human Rights Law and Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law," UN General Assembly Resolution 60/147 of 16 December 2005, <https://www.ohchr.org/en/professionalinterest/pages/remedyandrepairation.aspx>.

AmericanAbolitionists.com  
American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU)  
American Constitution Society  
American Friends Service Committee  
American Humanist Association  
Americans for Democratic Action (ADA)  
Americans for Financial Reform  
American Muslim Voice Foundation  
AmericanSlaveryReparations.org  
Amnesty International USA  
ANC5E03  
ANC5E08  
Antenna Cloud Farm Music Festival  
API Equality-LA  
Arise For Social Justice  
AshNa WP, LLC  
Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum (APIAHF)  
Asian Law Alliance  
Asian Pacific American Labor Alliance (APALA), AFL-CIO  
Asian Pacific American Labor Alliance (APALA), AFL-CIO – DC  
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Black Food Sovereignty Coalition  
Black Jewish Justice Alliance  
Black Jewish Justice Alliance, Los Angeles  
Black Music Action Coalition  
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Black Women’s Leadership Forum  
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Bridge4Unity  
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Brown Grove Preservation Group – Richmond, VA  
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Center for Human Rights & International Justice, Boston College  
Center for LGBTQ Economic Advancement & Research (CLEAR)  
The Center for Reparatory Justice, Transformation, and Remediation  
Ceremony Heals  
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Coalition for Economic Empowerment, Jackson, MS  
Code Switch: Restorative Justice for Girls of Color  
Collaborating Voices Foundation  
Color Of Change  
Coming To The Table  
Coming to The Table – Virginia Historic Triangle  
Common Talks Consulting  
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Community Of Hope AME Church  
Congregation B'nai Israel Tikkun Olam Committee  
Congregation of Our Lady of Charity of the Good Shepherd, U.S. Provinces  
Congregation of St. Joseph - Justice Team  
Creative Acts  
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18 Million Rising  
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European Network of People of African Descent (ENPAD)  
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Faith Action Network  
Faith for Black Lives  
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Faith in Action National Network  
Faith in New Jersey  
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Japanese American Citizens League (JACL), Seabrook Chapter  
Japanese American Citizens League (JACL), Seattle Chapter  
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Japanese American Citizens League (JACL), Watsonville-Santa Cruz Chapter  
Japanese American Families for Justice  
Japanese American Memorial Pilgrimages  
Japanese American National Museum  
Japanese American Service Committee (JASC)  
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Justice or Greenwood  
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KC Reparations Coalition  
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Lamar Legal PLLC  
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The Massachusetts Against Solitary Confinement (MASC) Coalition  
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Mihara Associates  
Missouri Faith Voices, A Faith in Action Federation  
MK Gandhi Institute for Nonviolence  
Morgan State University  
NAACP  
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National Advocacy Center of the Sisters of the Good Shepherd  
National African American Reparations Commission (NAARC)  
National Asian Pacific American Bar Association (NAPABA)  
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National Birth Equity Collaborative  
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National Health Law Program  
National Homelessness Law Center  
National Immigration Project (NIPNLG)  
National Japanese American Memorial Foundation (NJAMF)  
National LGBT Cancer Network  
National LGBTQ+ Bar Association

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National Organization for Women  
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Next Generation Action Network (NGAN)  
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Nikkei Progressives  
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Progressive Democrats of America  
Project Access To A-Free-Ka  
Racial Justice Rising  
Reconstructionist Rabbinical Association  
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Renton Regional Community Foundation  
Reparation Education Project  
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Reparations4Slavery.com  
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 Showing Up for Racial Justice (SURJ) – San Francisco  
 Showing Up for Racial Justice (SURJ) – Santa Barbara  
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Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary  
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South Asian Americans Leading Together (SAALT)  
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South Carolina Christian Action Council  
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Unitarian Universalists for Social Justice  
United Church of Christ  
The United Methodist Church - General Board of Church and Society  
United Parents Against Lead (UPAL)  
University Network for Human Rights  
URGE: Unite for Reproductive & Gender Equity  
USC Gould School of Law International Human Rights Clinic  
USC Shinso Ito Center for Japanese Religions and Culture  
Vera Institute of Justice  
VOICE Buffalo  
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We The Village, Inc.  
Where Is My Land  
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Why We Can't Wait Coalition  
Woke Vote  
Women's Initiative Supporting Health  
Women's Law Project  
Woodhull Freedom Foundation  
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Young Initiative on the Global Political Economy

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Ms. Rosario Dawson, Actor  
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Chelsea Handler, Comedian  
Justin Hansford, Executive Director, Thurgood Marshall Civil Rights Center  
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Meghan Harwood, Student, Organizer, Public Servant, Standing Up for Racial Justice (SURJ)  
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Sister Rosemary Riggie, Sisters of St. Mary of Namur  
Mark Ruffalo, Actor  
Brother Todd Saddler, Ithaca Catholic Worker  
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Laurie Schecter  
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