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Black American Descendants of Slavery Protest in Washington DC against the White House, Congress and the Congressional Black Caucus' Benign Neglect of Reparations and Protective Policies

WASHINGTON DC – Black American Descendants of Chattel Slavery and Jim Crow reparations protestors in Washington, DC, Saturday, October 16, following the U.N. General Assembly, California Reparations Taskforce hearings and recent Infrastructure and DACA congressional hearings.

Activists are traveling from across the country to attend the D.C. demonstration this Saturday to urge President Joe Biden to sign an executive order to study reparations for Black American Descendants of Slavery and Jim Crow. “We continue to witness the cost – in American lives – of the refusal by these United States and our politicians to create a distinct census designation, exclusive policy prescriptions, and a federal agency for Black American Descendants of Chattel Slavery, Jim Crow, and present-day oppressive systems, just as they did with the Office for New Americans and the Freedmen’s Bureau of 1865,” said **Reparations Activist, Nita Scott, North Carolina.**



The White House and Congressional Black Caucus' (CBC) continuous benign neglect of the needs and demands of Black American Descendants of Slavery will no longer be tolerated. While President Joe Biden refused to include the topic of reparations in his opening or

closing remarks at the U.N. General Assembly last month, other world leaders spoke candidly on the subject. “Monetary atonement for America’s history of slavery is a seminal question in the world’s attempt to reconcile with what South African President Cyril Ramaphosa called ‘one of the darkest periods in the history of humankind, and a crime of unparalleled barbarity,’ ” **Associated Press Journalist, Sally Ho, ABC News, 9/28/21.**

“We are standing in the shoes of our enslaved ancestors and we will not parish in silence. It’s time we wake up, stand up, and collect on the debts and inheritance this country owes us. Earlier this year, the White House said it supported the study of reparations for Black Americans. If the White House supports the study of reparations, then President Biden has the power to sign an Executive Order establishing a commission to study reparations,” said **Reparations Activist, Cedric Zee, Ohio.**

United States Senate Candidate, Tamara Johnson-Shealey, is in favor of reparations for Black American Descendants of Chattel Slavery and Jim Crow and supports the reparative analyses put forth by economist Dr. William Darity. “I am running for United States Senate because I believe I can help solve the people’s burdens, and reparations are a fundamental way of solving real problems for Black Americans whose ancestors were enslaved in our country.”

Mayoral Candidate, Rodney “Red” Grant, spoke recently with reparations demonstrators and supports their demands for redress. “I am running for Mayor of D.C. and I support reparations. I am a native of D.C. and I want to create policies to meet the demands of the people... safe neighborhoods, affordable housing, and close the marginal wealth gap.”

Reparations Activist, Kash Gaines, New York, modernized General William T. Sherman’s Special Field Orders No. 15 promissory language, “40 acres and a mule” to “#40acresandaTesla.” According to Gaines, “I presented this phrase, along with cash payments and other transformative black agenda items, during a California Reparations Task Force hearing in September. The Epoch Times and other publications have since picked up on this phrase, as well as other young reparationists looking to make the conversation more accessible to the next generation of Freedmen Black Americans.”

The Washington D.C. demonstration, organized by Black American activists from across the country will occur at the White House, October 16 from 10am to 1pm; coinciding with the 27th anniversary of the Million Man March on Washington.
