

FOUNDATIONAL BLACK AMERICAN (FBA) LINEAGE RIGHTS ACT

An Act to Recognize and Protect Foundational Black Americans through Lineage-Based Rights, Reparations, Cultural Preservation, and Constitutional Enforcement.

PREAMBLE

Whereas the descendants of persons enslaved in the United States prior to 1865—herein defined as *Foundational Black Americans (FBAs)*—have endured centuries of chattel slavery, racial apartheid, domestic terrorism, economic exclusion, political sabotage, and cultural erasure without full repair or protection;

Whereas race-neutral remedies have failed to address the *lineage-specific harms* suffered by this distinct population;

Whereas this nation owes both *constitutional recognition* and material restitution to those who built it under bondage and remain systematically disadvantaged;

Be it enacted, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled:

TITLE I – LINEAGE RECOGNITION AND CONSTITUTIONAL STANDING

Section 101. Legal Definition of “Foundational Black American”

A Foundational Black American (FBA) is defined as:

- An individual born in the United States of America who descends from at least one person enslaved within the continental United States prior to 1865.
 - Verification shall be determined via genealogy, Freedmen’s Bureau records, census data, church records, or validated oral history by the FBA Lineage Verification Board.
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Section 102. Additional Qualifications for FBA Status

To qualify as a Foundational Black American, an applicant must:

- **Direct Biological Descent** – Be a direct maternal or paternal descendant of at least one person enslaved within the continental United States prior to 1865.
- **Birth & Citizenship Requirement** – Be born in the United States of America with U.S. citizenship at birth.

- **Continuous Lineage Residency** – Have at least one direct ancestor who maintained U.S. residency for two or more consecutive generations following emancipation.
 - **Lineage Integrity Verification** – Provide complete ancestry records for review, prioritizing original documents over derivative sources, subject to independent audit.
 - **No Dual Reparations Claims** – Not simultaneously claim benefits from another reparations program that conflicts with FBA designation.
 - **No Voluntary Renunciation of Citizenship** – Not have voluntarily renounced U.S. citizenship at any point.
 - **Identity Consistency** – Not have legally or publicly reclassified under another racial/ethnic identity for political or economic advantage within the last 20 years, unless reinstated through Board review.
 - **Cultural Knowledge** – Affirm basic knowledge of FBA history, culture, and contributions as part of the verification process if required by the Board.
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Section 103. Fraud and Posthumous Recognition Provisions

- **Fraud Disqualification Clause** – Any individual found to have knowingly submitted false or fraudulent lineage claims shall be permanently disqualified from FBA recognition. Civil and criminal penalties shall apply, including repayment of any benefits received.
 - **Posthumous Recognition Clause** – Descendants of deceased individuals wrongfully denied FBA recognition may apply on their behalf to secure posthumous verification and historical correction of the record.
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Section 104. Constitutional Recognition

- Foundational Black Americans (FBAs), as defined in this Title, are recognized as a constitutionally protected lineage-based class with full standing under federal law.
- Legal standing includes the right to seek injunctive relief, monetary damages, and attorney's fees for FBA-specific harms, and shall fall under original federal jurisdiction.
- Qualifying harms include, but are not limited to:
 - Lineage-based exclusion from public or private benefits, contracts, housing, employment, or education.
 - Erasure or misrepresentation of FBA history, heritage, or contributions.

- Misallocation or obstruction of resources designated for FBAs.
 - Political suppression, interference, or intimidation targeting FBAs.
 - Retaliation against FBAs for asserting rights under this Act is prohibited and shall trigger additional penalties.
 - Constitutional recognition under this Act shall not be diluted, substituted, or overridden by race-neutral classifications, pan-ethnic categories, or non-lineage-based identity groupings.
 - All government entities and publicly funded institutions shall treat FBA lineage status as a protected class, enforceable under civil rights law with the additional lineage-specific protections established in this Act.
 - All federal, state, and local applications, demographic surveys, and census forms shall include “Foundational Black American” as a distinct ethnic and racial designation, separate from all other classifications. This designation shall be used for the purposes of benefits, protections, data collection, and enforcement under this Act.
 - Federal agencies shall collect, track, and publicly report FBA-specific data on benefits, protections, and enforcement outcomes annually.
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TITLE II – FEDERAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND APOLOGY

Section 201. Formal Government Apology

The United States government shall issue a formal acknowledgment and apology to Foundational Black Americans for:

- The forced enslavement of persons within the continental United States prior to 1865.
- The abandonment of Reconstruction and withdrawal of protections promised after emancipation.
- The enactment and enforcement of Jim Crow laws that codified racial segregation and apartheid.
- The use of COINTELPRO and other surveillance programs to undermine FBA leaders, organizations, and movements.
- The War on Drugs and mass incarceration policies, including the 1994 Crime Bill, that disproportionately targeted FBA communities.
- The creation, funding, and enforcement of federal, state, and municipal laws and policies designed to disadvantage FBAs in housing, employment, education, and public services.

- The federally backed displacement of FBA communities through urban renewal, highway construction, eminent domain abuse, and other development schemes.

This apology shall serve as the legal and historical foundation for the reparative measures established in Title III – Reparations and Material Restitution, Title IV – Land, Housing, and Ancestral Protection, Title IX – Legal System Repair and Incarceration Redress, and Title X – Taxation, Business, and Economic Power. The harms identified in this section shall be recognized as primary evidentiary inputs in determining reparations and restitution amounts under this Act.

Section 202. Federal Recognition of Discriminatory Enforcement Patterns

The United States formally recognizes the role of federal, state, and local enforcement in:

- Over-policing and disproportionate sentencing in FBA communities.
- Targeted denial of voting rights through felony disenfranchisement laws.
- Systemic exclusion from federal contracting and procurement opportunities.
- Displacement through federally funded development and infrastructure projects.
- Implementation of foreign and international policies that diverted domestic resources away from FBAs.

Corrective measures for these harms shall be coordinated with:

- **Title X – Taxation, Business, and Economic Power** for contracting and economic exclusions.
 - **Title IV – Land, Housing, and Ancestral Protection** for displacement remedies.
 - A **Foreign Policy Harm Review Process** under **Title XIII – Administration and Oversight** to identify, report, and correct domestic impact from foreign agreements, immigration policies, or aid priorities.
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Section 203. Federal Declassification of Anti-FBA Operations

- All documents related to COINTELPRO, redlining, the War on Drugs, sterilization programs, political infiltration, and other federally backed anti-FBA programs shall be declassified for historical and legal review.
- Declassification shall include all records from federal agencies, including but not limited to: FBI, CIA, NSA, HUD, DOJ, and Department of Education, that reveal patterns of targeted harm against FBAs.

- All declassification actions shall be completed within **36 months** of enactment, with quarterly public progress reports.
 - All declassified materials shall be permanently available to the public through the National Archive of FBA History and Harm established under Section 205.
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Section 204. Rescission of Discriminatory Federal Laws and Policies

- Congress shall formally rescind and nullify all federal laws, policies, and directives identified as having caused direct harm to FBAs, including but not limited to:
 - Black Codes and convict leasing statutes.
 - Federal redlining maps and lending restrictions.
 - The Anti-Drug Abuse Acts of 1986 and 1988.
 - The 1994 Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act provisions contributing to mass incarceration.
 - Immigration and refugee preference policies that disadvantaged FBAs in domestic employment, housing, or education.
 - **State and Local Rescission Requirement:** All states and municipalities that implemented these programs using federal funding shall issue parallel rescissions and comply with corrective mandates under **Title XIII – Administration and Oversight**.
 - **Non-Compliance Enforcement:** States and municipalities that fail to comply within **24 months** of this Act's passage shall face:
 - Withholding of relevant federal funds.
 - Mandatory oversight hearings before the FBA Reparations Oversight Commission.
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Section 205. Historical Record Restoration and Public Education

- The federal government shall fund and establish a **National Archive of FBA History and Harm** to preserve:
 - Declassified federal documents.
 - Oral histories from impacted FBAs.
 - Archival materials from civil rights, Black liberation, and community self-determination movements.

- Develop a public-facing digital repository for free educational access to these materials.
 - Integrate documented harms into federally mandated K–12 and higher education curricula, coordinated with **Title VI – Education and Civic Literacy**.
 - All educational and archival projects under this section shall be implemented within **24 months** of this Act’s passage and maintained as a permanent public record.
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Section 206. Reparative Legal Pathways

- Establish federal jurisdiction for all harm claims brought by FBAs arising from discriminatory laws, policies, or programs.
 - Create a **Reparations Claims Tribunal** to adjudicate claims, order restitution, and expedite cases involving elder FBAs or time-sensitive economic harm.
 - Tribunal awards and remedies shall be implemented through the appropriate mechanisms in **Title III, Title IV, Title IX, and Title X**.
 - Tribunal rulings shall be permanently recorded in the National Archive of FBA History and Harm for public access.
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Section 207. Criminal Record Repair

- Recognize the historical injustice of convictions tied to rescinded discriminatory laws.
 - Mandate federal coordination with states to ensure all remedies, expungements, and rights restorations are carried out under **Title IX – Legal System Repair and Incarceration Redress**.
 - All record repair actions must be completed within **36 months** of enactment, with quarterly reporting to the FBA Reparations Oversight Commission.
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Section 208. Legislative and Judicial Safeguards Against Recurrence

- Establish permanent congressional oversight to prevent the introduction or enforcement of future laws or policies causing disparate harm to FBAs.
- Require lineage-specific impact assessments for all new federal legislation, executive actions, and funding allocations.

- Authorize the Department of Justice to investigate and prosecute federal or state actors engaged in anti-FBA targeting, with enforcement coordinated under **Title XIII – Administration and Oversight**.
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TITLE III – REPARATIONS AND MATERIAL RESTITUTION

Section 301. National Reparations Trust Fund (NRTF)

- A federally administered **National Reparations Trust Fund** shall finance all reparative programs under this Act.
 - The Fund shall be overseen by the **FBA Reparations Oversight Commission** established under **Title XIII – Administration and Oversight**.
 - **Funding sources shall include:**
 - Annual federal appropriations.
 - Corporate restitution payments from entities that profited from slavery, Jim Crow, discriminatory lending, labor exploitation, or other documented harms to FBAs.
 - Fines and penalties collected from institutions found guilty of lineage sabotage under **Title XIII – Enforcement Provisions**.
 - Voluntary contributions from individuals, foundations, and organizations, with no substitution for federal obligations.
 - **Transparency and Reporting Requirements:**
 - The Fund shall publish quarterly public reports detailing revenues, expenditures, and outstanding obligations.
 - Annual independent audits shall be conducted and made available in the **National Archive of FBA History and Harm** under **Title II – Section 205**.
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Section 302. Baseline Compensation Formula and Payment Standards

- Within **12 months** of enactment, the FBA Reparations Oversight Commission shall develop and publish the methodology for calculating reparations payments, which shall include:
 - Historical harm valuation based on data and findings under **Title II – Section 201**.
 - Adjustments for inflation and regional cost-of-living differences.

- Consideration of wealth disparity metrics between FBAs and the national median household.
 - The compensation formula shall be reviewed and updated every **five years** to reflect economic conditions and new harm documentation.
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Section 303. Cash and Economic Payments

- **Verified FBAs shall receive:**
 - One-time lump sum compensation for generational harms.
 - Annual tax-exempt reparations payments, indexed to inflation and adjusted for regional cost-of-living, for no less than the lifetime of the recipient.
 - **Payment Administration:**
 - Payments shall be issued through the NRTF and deposited into FBA-controlled accounts with protections against garnishment, seizure, or asset forfeiture.
 - Recipients may direct a portion of their annual payments into federally backed investment or retirement accounts established under **Title X – Section 1007**.
 - **Provisional Payments:**
 - Applicants with strong preliminary evidence of eligibility shall receive provisional payments while verification is finalized.
 - **Priority Processing:**
 - Elders (age 62+), terminally ill applicants, and individuals documented in prior federal harm databases shall receive expedited processing.
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Section 304. Non-Cash Reparations

- **Homeownership Grants:**
 - Fully funded down payment grants for verified FBAs purchasing primary residences in FBA-majority neighborhoods or FBA heritage zones under **Title IV – Section 401**.
 - Zero-interest home repair and modernization grants for FBA homeowners in historically disinvested areas.

- **Debt Forgiveness:**
 - Cancellation of all federal student loans for verified FBAs.
 - Forgiveness of outstanding federal fines, fees, and penalties related to discriminatory enforcement or economic exclusion.
 - **Business and Entrepreneurship Capital:**
 - Zero-interest or forgivable loans for FBA-owned businesses, with priority for enterprises certified under **Title X – Section 1004**.
 - Direct capital grants for cooperatives, community land trusts, and cultural enterprises in FBA-majority areas.
 - **Healthcare Access:**
 - Reparations recipients shall be guaranteed healthcare benefits as defined in **Title VIII – Healthcare, Mental Health, and Reproductive Justice**.
 - **Education Benefits:**
 - Tuition-free education at any public college or university for verified FBAs.
 - Scholarships for private institutions equal to the average in-state public tuition cost.
 - **Land Restitution:**
 - Any documented property loss tied to discriminatory takings shall automatically trigger eligibility for restoration under **Title IV – Section 402**.
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Section 305. Enforcement, Compliance, and Protection of Reparations

- **Non-Assignment and Non-Seizure Clause:**
 - Reparations funds, assets, or benefits provided under this title shall not be subject to garnishment, seizure, levy, lien, or offset by federal, state, or local governments, or by private creditors.
- **Fraud Prevention:**
 - The FBA Lineage Verification Board under **Title XIII – Section 1301** shall validate all claims prior to disbursement.
 - False claims shall result in permanent disqualification from reparations benefits and full repayment of unlawfully received funds.

- **State and Local Cooperation:**
 - States and municipalities shall not impose taxes, fees, or eligibility restrictions on reparations funds or benefits.
 - Federal funding to states shall be conditioned on compliance.
 - **Legal Aid and Appeals:**
 - Applicants denied benefits shall be entitled to free legal assistance and appeals support through the Technical Assistance Centers under **Title XIII – Section 1304**.
 - **Public Accountability:**
 - All distributions, while protecting personal privacy, shall be aggregated and reported publicly by county and state.
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Section 306. Generational Continuity

- **Inheritance of Benefits:**
 - If a verified FBA recipient passes away before receiving their full lifetime reparations benefits, the remaining balance shall transfer directly to their verified FBA heirs in equal shares.
- **Continuation of Reparations Programs:**
 - Reparations payments, benefits, and programs shall continue for successive FBA generations until:
 - Parity benchmarks in household wealth, homeownership rates, education access, and health outcomes between FBAs and the national median have been achieved and sustained for at least **25 consecutive years**.
 - Parity determinations shall be based on data collected and reported annually under **Title X – Section 1012** (Annual Equity Audit).
- **Protection from Erosion:**
 - No future legislation shall reduce, suspend, or terminate reparations programs prior to meeting the parity benchmarks above, unless approved by:
 - A 3/4 supermajority vote in both the U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate, and
 - The FBA Reparations Oversight Commission after public hearings.

- **Estate and Asset Transfer Protections:**

- Reparations-related funds, property, or investments passed to heirs shall be exempt from federal and state estate taxes and shall not affect eligibility for other reparations benefits.

TITLE IV – LAND, HOUSING, AND ANCESTRAL PROTECTION

Section 401. FBA Heritage Zones

- Protect historically Black neighborhoods from eminent domain, gentrification, and displacement.
- Require local FBA-led boards for all zoning, development, or acquisition decisions within heritage zones.
- Establish permanent federal recognition of designated heritage zones with legal boundaries recorded in the National FBA Heritage Registry.
- Prohibit rezoning or development projects without majority approval from the local FBA governance board and compliance with heritage preservation standards.

Section 402. National FBA Land Bank

- Create a federally backed FBA Land Bank to acquire and return land lost due to racial dispossession, tax theft, fraudulent foreclosure, or predatory municipal seizure.
- Establish a public, lineage-protected registry of all restored properties to ensure transparency, prevent re-dispossession, and track long-term community benefit.
- Confiscate abandoned or tax-delinquent residential and commercial properties in historically Black neighborhoods, transferring ownership to the FBA Land Bank for redevelopment under FBA-led governance.
- Enforce a covenant restricting foreign-born individuals or non-FBA entities from opening extractive or non-community-beneficial businesses in reclaimed FBA heritage zones.
- Provide legal defense, tax stabilization, and succession planning support for FBA families to prevent forced partition.
- Require restitution for proven cases of land theft by government agencies, banks, or private entities, including full title restoration or financial compensation indexed to inflation and market value.

Section 403. Housing and Land Security

- Expand affordable housing, community land trusts, and homeless prevention measures to secure long-term residency for FBA families.
- Provide zero-interest home repair and modernization grants for FBA homeowners in historically disinvested neighborhoods.
- Prioritize redeveloped and restored housing units from the FBA Land Bank for verified FBA residents before outside sales or leases are permitted.
- **Home Appraisal Equity Protections:**
 - Prohibit undervaluation of FBA-owned homes in heritage zones based on racial bias.
 - Require independent federal appraisal review when valuation disputes arise.
 - Impose civil penalties, license suspension, and permanent disqualification from federal contracts for appraisers found engaging in discriminatory practices.
- **Mortgage and Lending Equity:**
 - Require fair lending practices for FBA borrowers in heritage zones.
 - Prohibit redlining, predatory interest rates, or unjust loan denials.
 - Establish a federal mortgage guarantee program for verified FBAs purchasing or rehabilitating property in heritage zones.

Section 404. Burial Grounds and Sacred Site Protection

- Federal recognition, preservation, and restoration of FBA cemeteries, lynching sites, and ancestral burial grounds.
- Develop secure digital archives documenting site history, genealogy connections, and oral histories to protect cultural memory for future generations.
- Prohibit desecration, sale, or repurposing of these sites without federal approval and community consent.
- Allocate annual federal funding for maintenance, security, and educational programming related to preserved sites.

Section 405. Environmental Land Protections

- Conduct environmental remediation for reclaimed heritage zone land, including soil decontamination, water quality restoration, and air pollution mitigation.
- Prohibit siting of toxic waste facilities, hazardous industries, or environmentally harmful infrastructure within FBA heritage zones.
- Establish federal environmental monitoring teams in partnership with local FBA governance boards to ensure long-term health and safety compliance.
- Provide federal grants for green infrastructure, renewable energy projects, and climate resilience initiatives in heritage zones.

TITLE V – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE RESTORATION

Section 501. FBA Community Development and Infrastructure Fund

- A federally funded FBA Community Development and Infrastructure Fund shall be established to restore, protect, and expand spaces that sustain Foundational Black American life.
- The fund shall be administered under the FBA Reparations Oversight Commission and shall prioritize:
 - **Green Spaces & Beautification** – Creating and maintaining parks, gardens, and beautification projects to improve health, safety, and quality of life.
 - **Civic & Cultural Facilities** – Renovating or constructing community centers, cultural hubs, and recreational spaces for youth, elders, and intergenerational programs.
 - **Public Works & Neighborhood Safety** – Investing in clean streets, lighting, sidewalks, public art, and safety infrastructure designed with FBA community input.
 - **Environmental Justice & Remediation** – Identifying, addressing, and preventing environmental hazards such as toxic waste sites, industrial pollution, and unsafe water systems in FBA communities.
 - **Disaster Preparedness & Climate Resilience** – Strengthening infrastructure against floods, extreme heat, and other climate impacts through sustainable design and energy resilience projects.

Section 502. Infrastructure Employment and Skills Development

- All federally funded projects under this title shall require:
 - Majority-FBA labor participation (minimum 75% FBA workforce).
 - On-the-job training and certified apprenticeship programs for FBA residents.
 - Career pathway partnerships with schools, trade organizations, and historically Black institutions.
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Section 503. Digital and Technology Infrastructure

- Expand high-speed broadband access to all FBA-majority neighborhoods, with affordability protections.
 - Build publicly owned digital hubs offering technology training, business incubation, and secure community data storage.
 - Establish cybersecurity protections for FBA community governance, heritage data, and economic infrastructure.
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Section 504. Transportation Access and Mobility

- Upgrade public transportation routes and facilities serving FBA neighborhoods.
 - Build safe pedestrian, cycling, and accessibility infrastructure to connect residents to essential services.
 - Prioritize federal funding for locally approved transportation projects designed by FBA community boards.
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Section 506. Utility Sovereignty and Water Rights

- Guarantee local FBA governance over water, gas, and electricity systems serving heritage zones and reclaimed lands.
- Prohibit predatory utility rate hikes in FBA-majority neighborhoods without approval from FBA community boards.
- Prioritize infrastructure upgrades for water purification, renewable energy generation, and grid resilience.

Section 507. Health Infrastructure Upgrades

- Allocate funding for the construction and modernization of healthcare facilities in FBA communities.
- Deploy mobile health units and telehealth hubs to address service gaps in underserved areas.
- Require all federally funded facilities to hire majority-FBA staff and integrate culturally aligned care standards.

Section 508. Emergency Housing and Community Shelters

- Develop multi-purpose emergency shelters for disaster displacement, extreme weather events, and public health crises.
- Ensure shelters have renewable power, clean water, medical facilities, and secure communication systems.
- Prioritize shelter locations within walking distance of public transit and essential services.

Section 505. Accountability and Community Oversight

- All projects under this title shall be subject to:
 - Quarterly public reporting on project status, expenditures, and hiring compliance.
 - Annual independent audits conducted by the FBA Reparations Oversight Commission.
 - **Funding Recapture Clause** – Federal funds may be reclaimed from non-compliant contractors or projects failing to meet agreed benchmarks, with penalties for fraud or misrepresentation.

Cross-Reference Provisions

- All infrastructure contracts under this title shall be **linked to Title X, Section 1006** (Business Partnership Incentives) and **Section 1004** (FBA-Owned Enterprise Certification).
- Only **majority-FBA-owned contractors** or certified FBA partnership ventures shall receive federal funding for Title V projects.

- Infrastructure projects completed under this title shall **trigger additional tax credits** for contractors hiring 75%+ FBA labor, reinforcing the wealth-building cycle.
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TITLE VI – EDUCATION AND CIVIC LITERACY

Section 601. K–16 FBA Curriculum Mandate

- Mandatory FBA-inclusive history curriculum in all federally funded public schools, community colleges, and universities, covering:
 - Slavery, Reconstruction, Black Wall Streets, redlining, COINTELPRO.
 - FBA civil rights, political, cultural, and economic contributions.
 - The role of Black American Vernacular English (BAVE) in cultural and linguistic heritage.
- Federal grants for FBA educators, historians, instructors, and curriculum developers.

Section 602. Educational Infrastructure

- Build, restore, and modernize public schools in FBA-majority neighborhoods, including STEM labs, libraries, and cultural learning centers.
- Establish lineage-protected school governance boards to ensure funding, staffing, and programming align with FBA needs and priorities.
- Equip all facilities with broadband access, modern learning tools, and culturally relevant digital resources.

Section 603. Civic Literacy and Organizing Infrastructure

- A national FBA Civic Infrastructure Fund shall support:
 - FBA-led training in policy, organizing, advocacy, and electoral strategy.
 - Political platform-building tools and education campaigns.

Section 604. Teacher, Administrator, and Scholar Development

- Establish federal fellowship and scholarship programs for verified FBAs pursuing careers in education, curriculum development, and public administration.
- Require school districts in FBA-majority areas to maintain a minimum 50% FBA representation in teaching and administrative positions, scaling to 60% by 2035.

- Provide competitive salaries, professional development, and tenure-track pathways to retain FBA educators.

Section 605. Vocational, Trade, and Technical Education Pathways

- Create federally funded vocational and trade school programs in FBA-majority communities.
- Offer tuition-free certification programs for in-demand trades, technical skills, and emerging industries.
- Provide paid apprenticeship and on-the-job training opportunities with priority placement for verified FBAs.

Section 606. Adult and Continuing Education Access

- Establish adult literacy, GED, and continuing education programs in FBA community hubs.
- Provide tuition-free or low-cost pathways for skill development, entrepreneurship training, and digital literacy.
- Offer childcare and transportation stipends to remove participation barriers for adult learners.

TITLE VII – HBCU AUTONOMY AND LINEAGE PRIORITIZATION

Section 701. Lineage-Based Admission and Legacy Preference

- All federally funded Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) shall:
 - Prioritize verified FBA students in admissions and scholarships.
 - Establish legacy pipelines for descendants of HBCU alumni.
 - Maintain transparent lineage verification processes to ensure compliance.

Section 702. Federal Endowment for HBCU Reparations

- Reparations-specific HBCU funding shall support:
 - Full campus restoration, modernization, and expansion.
 - Tuition-free education for verified FBA students.
 - Governance protections to block non-FBA corporate takeover or undue external influence.

Section 703. Faculty, Staff, and Governance Lineage Requirements

- Require that at least 50% of faculty, senior administrators, and governing board members be verified FBAs, increasing to 60% by 2035.
- Implement federal compliance audits to ensure adherence.

Section 704. Research and Innovation Hubs

- Fund the establishment of HBCU-based research centers focused on:
 - FBA cultural preservation, historical documentation, and archival work.
 - STEM innovation for FBA community development.
 - Public policy, health equity, and economic strategy aligned with FBA needs.
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TITLE VIII – HEALTHCARE, MENTAL HEALTH, AND REPRODUCTIVE JUSTICE

Section 801. Reparative Mental Health Services

- Provide **federally funded trauma-informed care** for FBAs impacted by:
 - Police violence.
 - Historical and generational trauma.
 - State-sanctioned displacement or incarceration.
 - Establish **24/7 crisis lines** and mobile crisis intervention teams in FBA-majority communities as an alternative to law enforcement in mental health emergencies.
 - Guarantee **confidential, culturally aligned therapy** for individuals and families, with free access for verified FBAs.
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Section 802. Maternal and Reproductive Justice

- Guarantee **reparative maternal health care** including:
 - Fertility treatment, doula support, and midwifery services.
 - Redress for historical experimentation, forced sterilization, and medical abuse.
- Require **annual federal safety audits** of hospitals and birthing centers in FBA-majority areas.
- Impose **federal penalties** for preventable maternal deaths or discriminatory denial of care.

- Provide **lifetime reproductive healthcare coverage** for verified FBA women, including postnatal care and menopause-related treatment.
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Section 803. Universal Health Coverage for FBAs

- Establish **full federal health coverage** for all verified FBAs, including:
 - Preventive care, chronic disease management, mental health, and dental care.
 - Zero out-of-pocket costs for approved services.
 - Cover all care delivered by **FBA-owned clinics and practitioners** at higher reimbursement rates to sustain local economic growth.
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Section 804. Healthcare and Wellness Facilities

- Establish and upgrade **community health centers, mental health clinics, wellness spaces, and mobile health units** in FBA-majority areas.
 - Fund construction through **federal appropriations** and **allocations from the National FBA Sovereign Wealth Fund** (Title X).
 - Require **community-led governance boards** for all federally funded facilities.
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Section 805. Chronic Disease, Nutrition, and Environmental Health

- Implement **federally funded prevention programs** targeting:
 - Hypertension, diabetes, heart disease, and cancer.
 - Nutrition education and healthy food access to eliminate food deserts.
 - Mandate **environmental justice reviews** to address toxic exposure, water quality, and air pollution.
 - Require clean-up and remediation of contaminated land in FBA-majority neighborhoods, with lineage-based hiring preferences for remediation jobs.
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Section 806. Addiction and Recovery Support

- Provide **free, comprehensive treatment programs** for substance use disorders, including culturally specific recovery models.

- Mandate **expungement assistance** for FBA individuals with non-violent, substance-related convictions.
 - Prohibit incarceration for qualifying non-violent substance offenses after enactment of this Title.
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Section 807. Healthcare Workforce Development

- Create **federal fellowship and scholarship programs** for verified FBAs pursuing careers in healthcare, mental health, public health, and administration.
 - Require healthcare systems in FBA-majority areas to maintain **minimum 50% FBA representation** in medical and administrative staff, scaling to 60% by 2035.
 - Provide **loan forgiveness, competitive salaries, and professional development pathways** to retain FBA healthcare workers in underserved zones.
 - Align healthcare workforce pipelines with Title VII's educator and scholar development provisions to ensure cross-sector capacity building.
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Section 808. Federal Oversight, Enforcement, and Patient Rights

- Establish an **FBA Healthcare Bill of Rights** guaranteeing:
 - Freedom from racial bias in treatment and diagnosis.
 - The right to lineage-based advocacy and second opinions.
 - Transparency in billing and access to medical records without cost.
- Create a **Federal FBA Health Equity Commission** to:
 - Monitor compliance with all provisions in this Title.
 - Issue annual public reports on health disparities, outcomes, and enforcement actions.
- Grant verified FBAs **direct legal standing** to sue institutions for violations of these protections, with federal funding for legal representation.
- Cross-reference enforcement authority with **Title IX – Legal System Repair** to coordinate litigation, investigation, and restitution processes.

TITLE IX – LEGAL SYSTEM REPAIR AND INCARCERATION REDRESS

Section 901. Mass Incarceration Expungement, Commutation, and Wrongful Conviction Compensation

- **Automatic Expungement** of all non-violent federal convictions tied to:
 - The War on Drugs.
 - The 1994 Crime Bill and other federal legislation that disproportionately targeted FBAs.
 - Targeted surveillance, infiltration, or sabotage of civil rights, liberation, or political organizations.
- **Commutation of Sentences** for all currently incarcerated non-violent FBAs under these provisions.
- **Wrongful Conviction Compensation:**
 - Automatic monetary restitution for verified FBAs wrongfully convicted under racially biased investigations or prosecutions, with a federally mandated minimum per year of wrongful imprisonment.
 - Lifetime healthcare coverage, employment assistance, and housing priority for those wrongfully incarcerated.
- **Restoration of Rights** for eligible FBAs, including:
 - The right to vote in all elections.
 - Eligibility to hold public office.
 - Jury service without restriction.
 - Firearm ownership and carry rights where unjustly revoked.
 - Equal access to public benefits and protections.
- **Ban on Post-Sentence Discrimination** for covered convictions, including:
 - Housing denial.
 - Employment discrimination.
 - Banking, lending, and credit access barriers.
 - Permanent removal of covered records from all background checks.

Section 902. Incarcerated Labor and Living Wage Protections

- All incarcerated FBAs shall earn no less than a federally mandated living wage for any labor performed while in custody.
- Wages shall be deposited into an FBA-owned account, accessible upon release, with a portion allowed for immediate use for commissary, family support, or legal defense.

Section 903. School-to-Prison Pipeline Elimination

- Prohibit zero-tolerance disciplinary policies in public schools that disproportionately impact FBAs.
- Remove law enforcement officers from daily operations in public schools serving majority-FBA student populations, replacing them with trained restorative justice coordinators.
- Require federal oversight of school disciplinary data to detect and correct racial disparities in suspensions, expulsions, and law enforcement referrals.

Section 904. Juvenile Justice Protections

- Prohibit the trial of FBA juveniles as adults for non-violent offenses.
- Require culturally competent legal defense and trauma-informed rehabilitation programs for FBA youth in custody.
- Ban solitary confinement for juveniles and guarantee access to education, mentorship, and restorative justice programs.

Section 905. Lineage-Based Legal Defense and Representation Access

- Establish a permanent **Lineage Protection Legal Defense Fund** to provide free, high-quality legal representation for FBAs in federal and state cases involving discriminatory enforcement, wrongful arrest, or other lineage-based harms.
- Guarantee funding for FBA-led legal aid organizations and law schools to expand public defense capacity in FBA-majority regions.

Section 906. Law Enforcement Oversight and Police Accountability

- Establish an **FBA Civilian Oversight Board** with federal authority to:
 - Investigate incidents of excessive force, racial profiling, or wrongful death involving FBAs.
 - Refer cases directly to federal prosecutors.
 - Require public reporting and data transparency for all cases involving FBA victims.
- Mandate federal penalties for law enforcement agencies found to engage in systemic lineage-based discrimination.

Section 907. Digital Privacy and Surveillance Protections

- Ban unauthorized use of facial recognition, biometric tracking, or online monitoring of FBAs by government agencies without due process.
- Prohibit social media surveillance programs targeting FBA organizers, journalists, or political candidates.
- Require deletion of unlawfully obtained data and establish penalties for violations.

Section 908. Lineage-Based Hate Crime Classification and Enforcement

- Any act of violence, harassment, intimidation, or targeted harm—when motivated in whole or in part by the victim’s verified FBA lineage—shall be legally classified as a **Lineage-Based Hate Crime** under federal law.
- Qualifying offenses include:
 - Use of racial slurs or derogatory language tied specifically to FBA heritage.
 - Physical violence or attempted harm.
 - Destruction, defacement, or theft of FBA property, businesses, institutions, or heritage sites.
 - Cultural sabotage, including unauthorized use, distortion, or erasure of FBA cultural assets.
 - Economic exclusion **only** when part of a targeted hate-based action.
 - Political suppression, including threats or interference targeting FBA candidates, organizers, or voters.

- All lineage-based hate crimes shall:
 - Be prosecuted federally with enhanced penalties.
 - Be tracked in a public national database maintained by the DOJ Lineage Protection Division.
 - Trigger automatic civil rights investigations into implicated institutions or systems.
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Section 909. Oversight and Accountability Mechanisms

- The **FBA Reparations Oversight Commission** shall coordinate with the DOJ Lineage Protection Division to ensure:
 - Full enforcement of all provisions under Title IX.
 - Annual public reporting on case outcomes, policy compliance, and systemic reforms.
 - Integration with Titles III (Reparations), VI (Civic Literacy), and other enforcement sections to guarantee cross-title accountability.
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TITLE X – TAXATION, BUSINESS, AND ECONOMIC POWER

Section 1001. Tax Exemption Provisions

- FBAs shall be exempt from:
 - Federal income tax on the first \$150,000 of earned income.
 - Capital gains tax on family-held property transferred within lineage.
 - Estate tax on intra-lineage transfers of property, businesses, and investments.
 - Verification: Eligibility requires confirmed lineage through the FBA Lineage Verification Board.
 - Cross-Title Alignment: Integrates with Title III (Reparations Disbursement) for income recognition rules and Title IV (Housing) for property inheritance safeguards.
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Section 1002. Property Tax Exemptions for FBA Holdings

- Verified FBA households and enterprises shall receive:

- Full property tax exemptions on primary residences located in FBA-majority neighborhoods.
 - Reduced or eliminated property taxes on FBA-owned business properties within designated zones.
 - Enforcement: Annual audits by local tax authorities, with penalties for non-FBA owners misrepresenting eligibility.
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Section 1003. Business Tax Credits and Incentives

- Verified FBA-owned enterprises shall be eligible for:
 - Annual federal business tax credits for:
 - Hiring verified FBA employees.
 - Operating in FBA-majority communities.
 - Reinvesting profits into local development.
 - Start-up and expansion tax credits for new FBA-owned ventures.
 - Credits are stackable with workforce training reimbursements under Section 1016.
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Section 1004. Credit and Lending Protections

- Prohibit predatory lending and discriminatory interest rates for verified FBAs on all credit forms, including mortgages, business loans, auto loans, and personal credit.
- Cap interest rates at federally set fair lending levels in FBA-majority communities.
- Remove derogatory credit events linked to wrongful convictions, redlining, or discriminatory denials.
- Require equitable underwriting criteria recognizing alternative income and collateral forms in FBA communities.

Fair Appraisal Standards:

- Federal oversight to eliminate racial bias in home appraisals for verified FBA-owned properties.
- Lineage-aware valuation models must:
 - Account for historic underinvestment in FBA-majority neighborhoods.

- Prohibit comparator properties from outside culturally aligned areas.
 - Guarantee immediate appeal rights, including:
 - Independent reappraisal at no cost.
 - Binding corrective action for violators.
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Section 1005. Banking Access and Deposit Guarantees

- Ensure universal access for FBAs to free or low-fee checking, savings, and merchant accounts.
 - Require one federally insured banking facility in every FBA-majority neighborhood.
 - Prohibit account closures or denials based on lawful political affiliation or activism.
 - Allow FBA-owned banks and credit unions to borrow from the Federal Reserve at the lowest available rate.
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Section 1006. Insurance Equity

- Guarantee equal underwriting for FBAs in life, property, business, and health insurance.
 - Provide federal subsidies to lower premiums in historically underinsured FBA communities.
 - Create a Federal Insurance Watchdog to investigate and penalize discriminatory practices.
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Section 1007. Digital and E-Commerce Infrastructure

- Federal grants and low-interest loans for FBA-owned digital platforms, e-commerce marketplaces, and tech infrastructure.
 - Fund broadband expansion in FBA-majority communities.
 - Support digital entrepreneurship training and global market entry initiatives for FBA enterprises.
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Section 1008. FBA Business Districts & Corridors

- Develop and restore FBA-owned business corridors, marketplaces, and cooperative hubs.
- Prioritize historically significant commercial areas and protect them from displacement.
- Integrate cultural heritage into district design for identity and tourism.

Section 1009. FBA-Controlled Zoning and Development Authority

- Establish FBA-majority zoning boards in designated FBA-majority neighborhoods.
- Require lineage verification for buyers and developers in designated zones.
- Prohibit eminent domain or forced buyouts displacing FBA households/businesses.
- Grant first-right-of-purchase to FBAs before property is offered externally.

Section 1010. Permanent Anti-Displacement Safeguards

- Ban speculative land banking and extended vacancy without approved use.
- Limit corporate-owned short-term rentals to preserve long-term housing.
- Require permanent affordability covenants for publicly funded projects.
- Implement rent stabilization and property tax caps tied to inflation.

Section 1011. Infrastructure, Environmental, and Legal Protections

- Require displacement impact assessments before major infrastructure approvals.
- Mandate environmental justice reviews to prevent green gentrification.
- Establish federal legal defense funds for FBAs facing eviction or land grabs.
- Fund community land trusts and cooperative ownership.

Section 1012. FBA-Owned Enterprise (FOE) Certification

- Exclusive access to federal contracts, low-interest loans, and federally managed land.
- Require all federal agencies to allocate 15–20% of contracting dollars to FOE-certified businesses.
- Impose penalties for non-compliance.

Section 1013. FBA Business Partnership Incentives

- Federal Partnership Credit Program for verified partnerships with FBA-owned enterprises.
- Priority contracting for community-linked procurement.

- Federally backed loan guarantees for favorable FBA business terms.
 - Safeguards: Minimum 75% FBA equity and control, with annual verification.
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Section 1014. Investments, Savings, and Retirement Security

- Federally backed investment accounts for FBAs with tax-free contributions for housing, education, and business.
 - Matching contributions for community-owned enterprise investments.
 - Lifetime tax exemption on retirement distributions from FBA employment.
 - Establish Federal FBA Investment Bank for capital access and IPO participation.
 - Provide free culturally aligned financial education.
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Section 1015. Community Investment and Sovereign Wealth Fund

- Create a National FBA Sovereign Wealth Fund, funded through appropriations and federal investments.
 - Prioritize infrastructure, utilities, renewable energy, and transportation ownership.
 - Distribute annual dividends to FBA households.
 - Governed by the FBA Lineage Trust Board with transparency and annual audits.
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Section 1016. Workforce Development and High-Wage Pipeline

- Fund national workforce training in high-demand industries.
 - Require wage equity audits for federal contractors.
 - Establish apprenticeship pipelines tied to FOE-certified businesses.
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Section 1017. Cross-Title Integration

- Coordinate all programs under this Title with:
 - Title III (Reparations Funding)
 - Title IV (Housing Stability)

- Title V (Workforce & Education)
 - Title VI (Education Governance)
 - Title IX (Reentry Entrepreneurship)
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Section 1018. Annual Compliance & Enforcement

- Department of Commerce and the FBA Lineage Verification Board to publish Annual Economic Equity Compliance Reports.
 - Reports must include contracting quotas, partnership standards, financial access metrics, and anti-displacement enforcement.
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Section 1019. Funding Stream Lock

- No program under this Title may be defunded without:
 - Independent economic impact review.
 - Public hearing in FBA-majority districts.
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TITLE XI – DIGITAL, CULTURAL, AND GLOBAL SOVEREIGNTY

Section 1101. FBA Cultural Trust

- A federally chartered trust shall:
 - License and protect FBA-originated language, music, art, and creative property.
 - Maintain lineage-authenticated registries for cultural works to establish proof of origin.
 - Protect against unauthorized replication or exploitation in AI, deepfakes, virtual reality, and all emerging technologies.
 - Require all federal, state, and publicly funded institutions to source verified FBA-authored materials when representing FBA culture, history, or narratives.
- Unauthorized commercial use of FBA cultural property shall result in seizure of profits, statutory damages, and permanent disqualification from federal contracts.

Section 1102. Lineage Exclusivity and Compliance Clause

- All lineage-based benefits, funds, and programs created under this Act shall be exclusive to verified FBAs.
- Black immigrants, diasporic groups, or other race-based classifications may not substitute, proxy, or claim eligibility unless explicitly authorized by law.
- Require public-facing eligibility disclaimers on all federal, state, and local program materials to prevent misapplication.
- Mandate annual compliance audits of all agencies distributing FBA-exclusive resources, with penalties for unauthorized inclusion or misallocation.

Section 1103. Digital & Technology Infrastructure

- Provide universal broadband access in all FBA-majority communities.
- Establish community technology hubs offering digital literacy, coding, and e-commerce training.
- Fund the development of FBA-owned platforms, hosting services, and online marketplaces.
- Ensure FOE-certified businesses receive priority for federal technology contracts and grants.
- Create a federal Digital Entrepreneurship Fund to expand FBA participation in global technology markets.

Section 1104. Global Sovereignty and Trade Rights

- Establish a federal Office of Global Trade for FBAs to:
 - Negotiate and enforce trade protections for FBA-owned goods, services, and intellectual property.
 - Maintain export control lists to prevent the unauthorized sale of FBA-originated cultural or technological assets.
 - Provide grants and legal support for FBA businesses entering international markets.
- Require lineage verification for all cultural or heritage-based exports claiming FBA origin.

Section 1105. Digital Sovereignty and Data Rights

- Guarantee FBA ownership of biometric, cultural, and linguistic data.
- Prohibit the scraping, sale, or AI replication of FBA speech patterns, likeness, or creative content without explicit consent and compensation.
- Establish federal cybersecurity protections for FBA-majority institutions and enterprises.
- Require that AI, machine learning models, and virtual systems referencing FBA culture or identity use only lineage-verified datasets.

Section 1106. Enforcement and Compliance

- Create an independent Federal Sovereignty Oversight Commission composed of lineage-verified members.
- Require annual public reporting on compliance across all sections of this Title.
- Provide civil standing for verified FBAs to file suit against any entity violating cultural, digital, or trade protections established herein.
- Impose penalties including:
 - Financial restitution with interest.
 - Revocation of federal funding or contracts.
 - Criminal prosecution for willful violations.

TITLE XII – NATIONAL MEMORY AND PERMANENCE

Section 1201. National Observance

- **Foundational Black American Day** – July 5 shall be recognized annually as a federal holiday, honoring the official constitutional acknowledgment of the Foundational Black American (FBA) lineage.
- **Observance Standards** – Federal, state, and local governments shall:
 - Host public commemorations, educational events, and heritage showcases.
 - Partner with verified FBA-led institutions to curate programming.

- Provide paid holiday leave for FBA workers in federal and federally funded employment.
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Section 1202. Historical Preservation

- **Protected Sites** – Identify, restore, and federally protect historic institutions, landmarks, and properties tied to FBA heritage, including:
 - Civil rights movement landmarks.
 - Sites of economic, cultural, and political significance.
 - Locations tied to historic injustices, preserved as public record.
 - **Heritage Designation Authority** – Only the FBA Heritage and Memory Board shall designate new federal heritage sites tied to FBA history.
 - **Preservation Safeguards** –
 - Ban sale, demolition, or redevelopment of protected sites without a 3/4 vote of the Heritage Board and the FBA Lineage Verification Board.
 - Require cultural impact assessments before altering heritage zones.
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Section 1203. National Archives and Cultural Memory Bank

- **Archival Mandate** – Establish a permanent, federally funded repository for:
 - Historical records, photographs, oral histories, and media documenting FBA history.
 - Cultural artifacts, intellectual property, and BAVE (Black American Vernacular English) linguistic records.
- **Digital Safeguards** –
 - All archives must be mirrored in secure digital form with encrypted backups.
 - Establish lineage-verified access controls to prevent tampering, erasure, or AI misrepresentation.
- **Public Access** – Ensure free public access to verified FBA historical materials, with priority programs for schools, educators, and researchers.

Section 1204. Permanence and Succession Protection

- **Structural Protection** – This Act shall not be repealed, diluted, or amended without:
 - A 3/4 supermajority vote in both the House and Senate.
 - Independent impact audit by the FBA Reparations Oversight Commission.
 - Public testimony by the FBA Lineage Verification Board.
- **Governance Succession** –
 - All national memory institutions and preservation trusts shall be governed by verified FBA lineage members.
 - Implement succession plans to maintain generational continuity and prevent infiltration or mission drift.

Section 1205. Intergenerational Knowledge Transfer

- **Youth Engagement** – Establish paid internship, apprenticeship, and fellowship programs for FBA youth to train in:
 - Archival science.
 - Historic preservation.
 - Museum and cultural heritage management.
- **Elder Involvement** – Create Elder Historian Councils to document oral histories, mentor youth, and serve as cultural advisors to preservation boards.

Section 1206. Enforcement, Compliance, and Penalties

- **Oversight Authority** – The Department of the Interior, in coordination with the FBA Heritage and Memory Board, shall enforce compliance with this Title.
- **Violations** – Penalties for unauthorized sale, demolition, or alteration of protected sites include:
 - Mandatory restoration at violator's expense.
 - Civil fines up to \$5 million per offense.
 - Permanent loss of eligibility for federal contracts or funding.

- **Annual Reporting** – Require publication of a National Memory Compliance Report documenting:
 - Preservation status of all FBA heritage sites.
 - Archive accessibility and integrity.
 - Funding disbursements and usage.
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Section 1207. Funding Stream Lock

- **Permanent Appropriations** – Annual federal appropriations for programs under this Title shall not be reduced below prior-year levels without:
 - Independent cultural impact review.
 - Public hearings in FBA-majority districts.
 - **Dedicated Trust Fund** – Establish the FBA National Memory Trust Fund to finance:
 - Site restoration.
 - Archival digitization.
 - Public heritage programming.
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Section 1208. Cross-Title Integration

- All programs under this Title shall be coordinated with:
 - **Title III** – Reparations and Compensation, to fund preservation initiatives.
 - **Title VI** – Education and Curriculum, to integrate heritage into schools.
 - **Title XI** – Digital, Cultural, and Global Sovereignty, to protect narratives and digital archives.
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TITLE XIII – ADMINISTRATION AND OVERSIGHT

Section 1301. FBA Lineage Verification Board

- A board of verified FBA genealogists, historians, and civic leaders to validate lineage claims and oversee data governance.
- Responsible for maintaining secure lineage databases, approving eligibility for benefits under this Act, and issuing formal verification certificates.

- Conducts annual lineage-specific data audits and submits findings to the Reparations Oversight Commission.
 - Ensures strict privacy and data protection standards for all personal and lineage records.
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Section 1302. Reparations Oversight Commission

- An FBA civilian-led enforcement body to:
 - Monitor compliance with all provisions of this Act.
 - Audit disbursements and resource allocations.
 - Issue public reports on implementation and agency performance.
 - All commissions, boards, and oversight bodies established under this Act must be fully operational within 12 months of enactment, with quarterly public progress reports thereafter.
 - Coordinates directly with the FBA Lineage Verification Board to confirm eligibility and resolve disputes.
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Section 1303. DOJ Lineage Protection Division

- A new division within the U.S. Department of Justice responsible for:
 - Prosecuting hate crimes, sabotage, and resource theft targeting FBAs.
 - Enforcing constitutional protections outlined in this Act.
 - Coordinating with federal agencies and the Reparations Oversight Commission on investigations and corrective actions.
- Any federal agency, state government, or institution that fails to implement the provisions of this Act within established timelines, or that obstructs or delays access to rights and benefits, shall be subject to:
 - Mandatory corrective action orders issued by the Reparations Oversight Commission.
 - Civil fines proportionate to the harm caused, with funds directed to the National Reparations Trust Fund.
 - Public disclosure of violations and compliance status.
- Corrective action orders must be implemented within 90 days unless otherwise extended for cause by the Commission.

Section 1304. Technical Assistance for Claims and Compliance

- Establish federally funded Technical Assistance Centers—both in-person and online—to assist verified FBA individuals, businesses, and nonprofits with applications, claims, permits, and compliance under this Act.
- Provide claim tracking, appeals support, and advocacy for denied or delayed benefits for verified FBA individuals, businesses, and nonprofits.
- Offer organizational support for FBA-owned enterprises and nonprofits seeking grants, certifications, and tax credits, and provide guidance for verified FBA individuals pursuing personal reparations benefits or program enrollment.
- Ensure equitable geographic access, with centers in high-density FBA areas and virtual services for underserved regions.
- Implement strict privacy, data integrity, and security safeguards for all personal, organizational, business, and lineage records.
- Establish a whistleblower protection program to shield individuals reporting violations from retaliation.

Section 1305. Cross-Title Oversight Integration

- All boards, commissions, and oversight bodies under this Title shall coordinate enforcement, compliance, and data verification across all other Titles of this Act.
- Joint quarterly meetings shall be held to address cross-jurisdictional issues, align enforcement priorities, and prevent duplication of oversight functions.

Section 1306. Oversight Funding and Independence Protection

- Annual appropriations for the FBA Lineage Verification Board, Reparations Oversight Commission, DOJ Lineage Protection Division, and Technical Assistance Centers shall be protected under a funding stream lock, prohibiting reductions below prior-year levels without:
 - An independent impact review, and
 - A public hearing in FBA-majority districts.

- All oversight bodies shall operate independently from political influence, with leadership appointed through lineage-based eligibility verification and confirmed by a two-thirds vote of the Reparations Oversight Commission.
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Section 1307. Annual Oversight Report

- The Reparations Oversight Commission shall publish an Annual Oversight Report consolidating:
 - Lineage verification metrics from the FBA Lineage Verification Board.
 - Compliance audits and enforcement actions from all oversight bodies.
 - Performance data on Technical Assistance Centers.
 - Agency compliance rates with corrective orders and penalties assessed.
 - The report shall be made available to the public and submitted to Congress.
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TITLE XIV – LINEAGE VERIFICATION AND BUDGET ACCOUNTABILITY

Section 1401. National FBA Verification Database

The federal government shall establish and maintain a secure, encrypted database of verified Foundational Black Americans.

- Verification shall be based on the lineage criteria defined in Title I of this Act and overseen by the FBA Lineage Verification Board.
- The database must be fully operational within 18 months of enactment, with public progress updates issued quarterly until launch.
- Verified FBAs shall be issued a federally recognized identification credential serving as proof of lineage for all rights and benefits under this Act.
- A formal appeals process shall be available for any individual denied verification, including the right to present additional evidence, request independent review, and receive a final determination within 90 days of appeal submission. Appeals shall be coordinated with the procedures outlined in Title XIII, Section 1304.
- The FBA Reparations Oversight Commission shall establish renewal, security, and privacy protocols to ensure integrity, prevent fraud, and protect against unauthorized access.

- All personal lineage data shall be subject to strict retention limits, with mandatory destruction upon expiration, withdrawal, or death, unless preservation is required for ongoing legal or program eligibility.
 - Whistleblower protections shall be extended to any individual or agency employee reporting fraud, misrepresentation, or unauthorized access related to lineage verification.
 - Any individual or institution found guilty of falsifying lineage records or misusing database access shall be subject to criminal prosecution, civil penalties of up to \$500,000 per violation, and restitution to the National Reparations Trust Fund.
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Section 1402. Fiscal Oversight Integration

The Office of Management and Budget, in coordination with the FBA Reparations Oversight Commission, shall integrate verification data with fiscal oversight to ensure accurate budgeting, equitable resource allocation, and prevention of fraud.

- All federal, state, and local agencies administering programs under this Act shall reconcile program enrollment data with the National FBA Verification Database before disbursement of funds or benefits.
 - The FBA Reparations Oversight Commission shall conduct annual compliance audits to confirm fiscal alignment with verified eligibility, publishing both internal agency reports and a public audit summary.
 - Agencies failing to reconcile verification and fiscal data or knowingly issuing benefits to ineligible recipients shall be subject to corrective action orders, civil fines, and mandatory restitution to the National Reparations Trust Fund.
 - The FBA Lineage Verification Board and the Oversight Commission shall jointly issue standardized reporting formats to ensure transparency and comparability across agencies.
 - Fiscal oversight protocols shall include real-time fraud detection, cross-agency data matching, and automated alerts for anomalies in disbursement or reporting patterns.
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Section 1403. Budgetary Allocation, Reporting, and Enforcement

The Office of Management and Budget, in coordination with the FBA Reparations Oversight Commission, shall calculate the estimated annual cost of all programs under this Act and submit a public report to Congress no later than 90 days before the start of each fiscal year.

- Congress shall ensure that annual appropriations fully meet the obligations established in this Act and may not reduce program funding below prior-year levels without an independent economic impact review and public hearings in FBA-majority districts.
 - All budgetary reports shall include a public-facing summary detailing appropriations, disbursements, administrative costs, and outstanding obligations.
 - Agencies failing to submit complete budgetary data on schedule shall be subject to civil fines of up to \$250,000 per missed deadline, with collected penalties deposited into the National Reparations Trust Fund.
 - Misappropriated or misallocated funds identified through audits shall be recovered through immediate reallocation to the affected programs and restitution to the National Reparations Trust Fund.
 - The Oversight Commission shall publish an Annual Fiscal Accountability Report consolidating verification compliance data, audit findings, and budget performance metrics for all programs under this Act.
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FINAL DECLARATION

The *FBA Lineage Rights Act* codifies the long-ignored truth: that the United States of America was built on the labor, brilliance, and sacrifice of Foundational Black Americans—a people whose descendants have never been properly protected or repaid. This Act recognizes, repairs, and restores what is owed.

Not as charity. Not as apology. But as justice—permanent, enforceable, and specific to the FBA lineage.

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