

**Recognizing *Historic Passage of California AB 3121 to Establish Task Force to Study and Develop Reparation Proposals for African American Descendants of U.S. Slavery***

**WHEREAS**, *California Governor Gavin Newsom signed Assembly Bill 3121 signed into law on September 30, 2020. The landmark law sets a historic precedent making California the first state in the nation to mandate the creation of a nine-person task force to study and develop reparations for African American descendants of U.S slavery.*

**WHEREAS**, *the first meeting of this State Task Force, on June 1, 2021, set the stage for transformative actions acknowledging harms related to the institution of slavery, and identifying ways to repair those harms. This Task Force is charged with identifying federal and state laws that discriminate against African American people and developing proposals to eliminate State policies that continue to discriminate against Black communities. The State Task Force shall recommend a formal apology on behalf of the people of California, recommend remedies to the harms sustained by Black communities, and determine how compensation should be calculated and who is eligible to receive it.*

**WHEREAS**, *The City of Sacramento recognizes the important passage of this significant legislation to study the adverse impacts of slavery, Jim Crow, redlining, black codes, mass incarceration, and subsequent systematic racist policies and systems instituted by law to oppress African American descendants of U.S slavery. The AB 3121 study is imperative in efforts to establish a federal reparations blueprint to dismantle systemically oppressive systems still widely practiced by institutionalized establishments today.*

**WHEREAS**, *as the state capital, Sacramento shows sincere solidarity in acknowledging AB 3121 as an essential first step towards addressing lasting traumas caused by pervasively present atrocities of slavery in addition to seeking solutions to eradicate racial injustice, discrimination and tensions through reparatory redress for African American descendants of U.S slavery.*

**WHEREAS**, *the Coalition For A Just & Equitable California (CJEC), a statewide grassroots political coalition is a compilation of regional reparations advocacy groups statewide and the American Redress Coalition Of California (ARCC) was integral in efforts to pass AB 3121, including mobilizing call-to-action campaigns, providing testimony in-chamber at hearings, and galvanizing national political*

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