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Senator Richard Durbin
United States Senate
230 S. Dearborn Street, Suite 3892
Chicago, IL 60604

Dear Senator Durbin,

I am writing asking for your support of HB 40, Commission to Study and Develop Reparation Proposals for African Americans Act.

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Please support HB 40, so that our country may move closer to racial reconciliation and equity.

Prayerfully submitted,

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Senator Tammy Duckworth
United States Senate
230 South Dearborn Street, Suite 3900
Chicago, IL 60604

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Congresswoman Jan Schakowsky
5533 Broadway Ave.
Chicago, IL 60640

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