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NAACP DC JOINS MAKE GOOD TROUBLE RALLY

WASHINGTON, D.C. – NAACP DC Branch members mobilize to join the **MAKE GOOD TROUBLE RALLY** advocating for Voting Rights, DC Statehood, Reparations, ending Gun Violence, reimagining public safety, ending mass incarceration, reversing climate change, raising the minimum wage to \$15, canceling student debt and removing the Filibuster. The event will be held on Saturday, August 28, 2021 at the Lincoln Memorial located at 2 Lincoln Memorial Circle, NW Washington, DC 20037. The event will begin with a Freedom Concert at 10:00am, the rally and speaker program will begin and 12:00pm and expected to end by 4:00pm, weather permitting.

Make Good Trouble commemorates the historic March on Washington of August 28, 1963 and honors the late Congressman John Lewis by inspiring “good trouble, necessary trouble,” through a day of activism demanding The White House and Congress enact serious legislation the serves the needs of our communities. At the Lincoln Memorial, we culminate a year of protests and social uprisings across the nation elevating a serious agenda addressing political, economic, criminal justice and public safety reforms to ensure black lives are valued in all sectors.

***Tamika D. Mallory**, Co-Founder of Until Freedom, stated, “We are not a one-issued movement because our communities do not live single issue lives. Voting rights is crucial, but with low wages, high student debt and abusive policing, legal access is not the only barrier to getting to the polls to vote. On Saturday, we are gathering to present a clear agenda for actions we demand that President Biden, Congress and the Senate take immediately.”*

***Akosua Ali**, NAACP DC Branch President, stated, “Now is the time for good trouble. Reparations are just and necessary to right economic injustices instituted from 400 years of slavery and systemic racial oppression. Voting rights and Statehood for DC are necessary human rights. Environmental justice and reversing climate change are necessary to move our most vulnerable communities from surviving to thriving. Canceling student loan debt is necessary to closing the wealth gap and boosting a struggling economy by providing black borrowers fuel for upward mobility. The NAACP is in this fight to make good trouble, because it is necessary now more than ever.”*

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