



DELAWARE

African and Caribbean Affairs Commission

Expressing the Power within our Hands

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President Joseph Biden
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20502

Greetings President Biden,

The Delaware African and Caribbean Affairs Commission (DACAC) was created to promote the welfare and interest of all people of African descent who reside in Delaware. The vision is to provide a platform for promoting the cultural and historical heritage of the people of African descent and facilitate the socioeconomic relationship between the African and Caribbean countries, citizens, and residents.

Realizing such a need in the State of Delaware, the DACAC took on the persona of a haven and outlet that could foster brotherhood and sisterhood in the pursuit of social change through the development and support of programs and actions that would create positive change for Black people and the country. It is that focus on education that all should learn and know the incredible work of Marcus Garvey.

Marcus Garvey was a Jamaican-born Black nationalist and leader of the Pan-Africanism movement, seeking to unite and connect people of African descent worldwide. In the United States, he was a noted civil rights activist who founded the Negro World newspaper, a shipping company called Black Star Line, and the Universal Negro Improvement Association. The resolution hails

Garvey as a human rights activist. It seeks to preserve Mr. Garvey's legacy by exonerating him on unfounded charges brought against him by the US government. We ask, President Biden that you will take the necessary action towards clearing Marcus Garvey's name.

We offer this letter of support to encourage this legislation to be moved forward.

Should additional information be needed, we are happy to respond.

Sincerely,

Dr. Keith Pettiford
Chair
Delaware African and Caribbean Affairs Commission