



CONGRESSIONAL BLACK CAUCUS

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MESSAGE FROM CHAIR YVETTE D. CLARKE

This quarter, as President Trump escalated his attacks on our democracy, our communities, and our most fundamental rights, the Congressional Black Caucus stood firm. We met each act of injustice with resistance, each abuse of power with accountability, and each racist policy with an unwavering commitment to justice. From the halls of Congress to the streets of our communities, we fought back.

As President Trump sought to weaponize the U.S. Department of Justice to intimidate members of a co-equal branch of government from holding the administration accountable, we fought back. We made it clear that we will not abandon our constitutional authority or cede power to the executive branch.

As President Trump continued his authoritarian overreach, we fought back. We joined members of our communities who mobilized in the millions to make clear that America is not ruled by a king.

As President Trump signed a proclamation to ban the entry of people from nearly 20 predominantly Black and Brown nations, we fought back. We made clear that America is a nation of immigrants—where all are welcome.

As the Trump administration militarized an American city to instill fear, sow chaos, and spread division in our communities, we fought back. We stood up for our communities and their right to peacefully protest this president's abuses of power.

And as President Trump and Congressional Republicans continued working to jam through



their disastrous budget cuts to vital programs like Medicaid, Medicare, and Social Security, we fought back. We made it clear that we will not sit back while Republicans dismantle the safety net that millions of Americans rely on to survive.

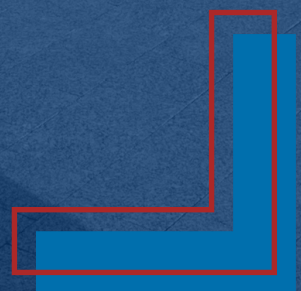
This quarter, the Congressional Black Caucus fought relentlessly to protect our communities from blatantly racist policies and executive actions that threaten our prosperity, economic stability, and future opportunity.

In the months ahead, we will continue to hold the line on behalf of the communities we are privileged to serve each day. We will continue to stand against injustice, push back on authoritarianism that threatens our democracy, and advance policies that promote equity, protect civil rights, and expand economic opportunity for Black communities across the nation.

Let's go!

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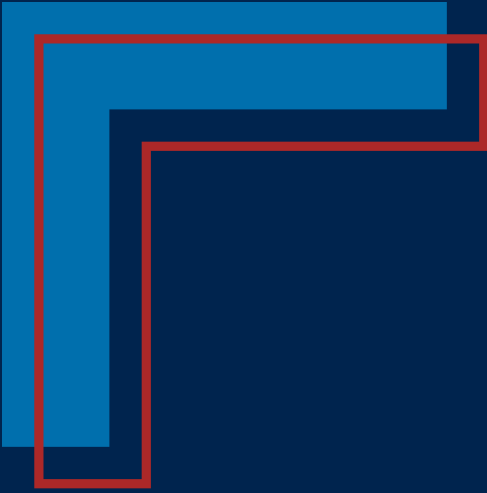
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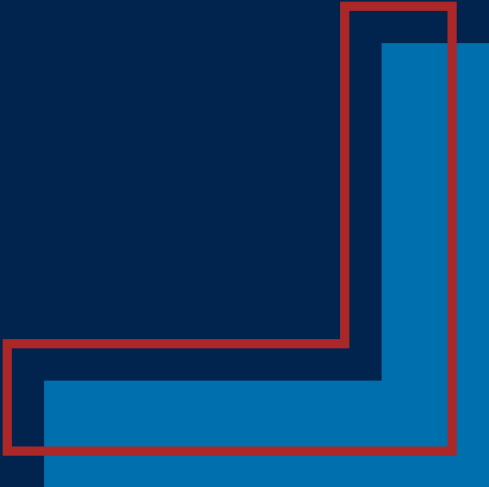
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ON THE ISSUES





MARKING TRUMP'S DISASTROUS 100 DAYS

In a major national address to the nation, Democratic Leader Hakeem Jeffries delivered a stunning rebuke of President Trump's disastrous first 100 days in office. As President Trump and Congressional Republicans have failed at their promise to lower the rising cost of living for the American people, Leader Jeffries offered a blueprint for a better America. While Republican policies crash our economy and drive us toward a recession, Leader Jeffries put forward a vision that protects Medicaid, Medicare, Social Security, and SNAP; creates good-paying jobs; and defends our democracy from authoritarian overreach.

The CBC was proud to stand behind Leader Jeffries as he delivered a clear and forceful message: Democrats will not back down in the face of the chaos, cruelty, and corruption of today's Republican Party. He made it clear that we would stand firmly against Rubber Stamp Republicans' plan to enact the largest cuts to Medicaid and food assistance in American history, and vowed that Democrats would continue to push back aggressively against any and all attempts to force harmful legislation on the American people.

THE LONGEST SPEECH IN SENATE HISTORY

U.S. Senator Cory Booker took the Senate floor for a historic marathon speech, beginning at 7 p.m. on Monday, March 31, and continuing until Tuesday night, April 1. After speaking for an extraordinary 25 hours and 5 minutes—directly addressing the American people—Senator Booker set a historic record for the longest individual floor speech in Senate history. Senator Booker surpassed the previous record held by Sen. Strom Thurmond of South Carolina, a segregationist who filibustered for 24 hours and 18 minutes in opposition to the Civil Rights Act of 1957.

The Congressional Black Caucus was proud to stand in solidarity with Senator Booker as he elevated the stories of Americans harmed by the Trump Administration's reckless policies, assaults on democratic institutions, and blatant disregard for the rule of law.





PROTECTING OUR COMMUNITIES

On June 6th, protests erupted across Los Angeles following Immigration and Customs Enforcement raids at multiple city locations targeting individuals for arrest. In an effort to seize power and silence peaceful dissent, President Trump issued an executive order to deploy 2,000 National Guard troops to Los Angeles without California Governor Gavin Newsom's consent. As tensions continued to rise, President Trump deployed thousands more Marines and National Guard Troops, further inflaming tensions and stoking fear in the city. President Trump's unlawful decision to deploy the National Guard onto the streets of Los Angeles was a reckless and inflammatory escalation — one designed not to restore calm, but to provoke chaos.

The Congressional Tri-Caucus held an emergency press conference to stand in full solidarity with the residents of Los Angeles, with immigrant communities in LA and around the country, and with the peaceful protesters who dare to speak out against the abuse of the Trump Administration. We made clear that this overreach constituted a direct attack on civil rights, due process, and our democratic norms designed specifically to target Black and communities of color.

HOLDING THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNTABLE

On May 9th, Rep. LaMonica McIver, alongside Rep. Bonnie Watson Coleman, Rep. Robert Menendez, and New Jersey Mayor Ras Baraka, led an oversight visit to Delaney Hall, an ICE detention facility in Newark, New Jersey. In an act of political theater, the Trump Administration brought bogus criminal charges against Rep. LaMonica McIver for conducting legitimate oversight—an action expected not only by her constituents but by the American people at large.

The sole purpose of the Trump Administration's sham indictment against Congresswoman McIver was to intimidate members of Congress from conducting oversight and holding the administration accountable for unlawful actions. We made clear that there is no scenario in which any member of the CBC will cower or bend the knee to the Trump Administration's attempts to weaponize the legal system.

The Congressional Black Caucus, joined by members of the Democratic Women's Caucus and the Congressional Progressive Caucus, held a joint press conference to denounce the politically motivated and baseless criminal charges filed against Rep. LaMonica McIver by the U.S. Attorney for the District of New Jersey.



OPPOSING THE REPUBLICAN BUDGET BILL

On April 27, House Democratic Leader Hakeem Jeffries and U.S. Senator Cory Booker led a powerful day-long sit-in on the steps of the U.S. Capitol, beginning at sunrise, calling on Americans to unite in opposition to the devastating cuts to Medicaid and other critical safety net programs proposed in the Trump administration and Congressional Republicans' budget bill.

Throughout the day, Leader Jeffries and Senator Booker were joined by members of the Congressional Black Caucus, the House Democratic Caucus, and special guests including Maya Wiley and Rev. Dr. William Barber. Hundreds of Americans stood alongside them to voice their strong opposition to the Republicans' sweeping budget cuts and the harsh impact Americans would face because of their cuts to programs like Medicaid and SNAP.



FIGHTING BACK AGAINST TRUMP'S TRAVEL BAN

The Trump administration has consistently targeted our most vulnerable communities—particularly those seeking refuge within our borders, such as the people of Haiti. President Trump's proclamation to block entry from several countries—many of which are predominantly Black and brown nations, including Haiti—is a discriminatory and deeply unjust policy that deliberately targets certain foreign nationals and denies them access to opportunity. Not only has President Trump erected barriers to entry for many Haitian migrants, he has also created an environment of vitriol and hate towards Haitian communities.

The CBC met with Haitian Ambassador to the United States, Lionel Delatour, to discuss President Trump's travel ban and other urgent matters, reaffirming our decades-long support for the Haitian community. We reiterated our unwavering commitment to advancing shared policy priorities—especially in the face of strong opposition from the current administration.

DEFENDING OUR SENIORS FROM CUTS TO SOCIAL SECURITY

Instead of lowering the cost of living for America's seniors, President Trump and Congressional Republicans set their sights on dismantling Social Security in order to provide tax breaks to their billionaire donors. For Black Americans and many disadvantaged communities, Social Security ensures dignity in retirement and lifts people out of poverty.

In coordination with the House Democratic Steering & Policy Committee's Hearing on Social Security, the Congressional Black Caucus and members of the House Ways and Means Subcommittee on Social Security held a press conference to address President Trump and House Republicans' efforts to decimate Social Security for millions of Americans. We made it clear that Democrats will not stand aside while President Donald Trump and Elon Musk break Social Security beyond recognition.

STRENGTHENING TIES ACROSS THE DIASPORA

On May 15th, the CBC hosted a meeting with ambassadors of several African countries and representatives from the African Union to discuss a variety of topics including strengthening U.S.-Africa relationships and the reauthorization of the African Growth and Opportunity Act (AGOA).

The Ambassadors reiterated their strong appreciation for the partnership that the CBC has maintained with many countries on the continent for decades. In addition to preserving our partnership, the Ambassadors noted their concerns with President Trump's recent actions to minimize federal government operations that have resulted in heavy cuts to foreign aid. The domino effect that these decisions will have on their countries is of top concern across the continent, as many countries in Africa are not prepared to lose U.S. aid.



The CBC reaffirmed its unwavering commitment to advancing the African Growth and Opportunity Act (AGOA) and other key priorities affecting the African continent—both in this Congress and beyond—because we recognize that Africa’s future is deeply interconnected with the future of the global African diaspora.

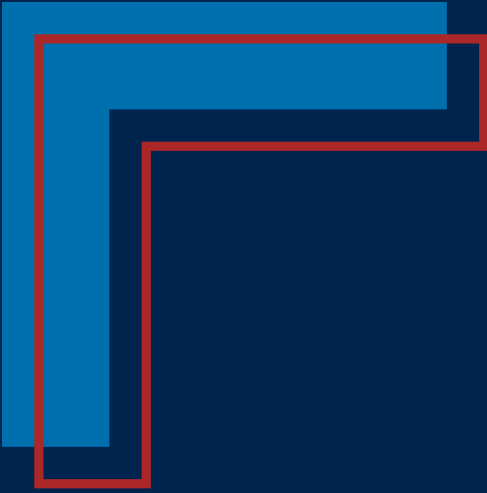
PROTECTING OUR NATION’S VETERANS

Republicans often claim to honor our brave service members, but their actions tell a different story. In a deeply troubling and unprecedented move, President Trump

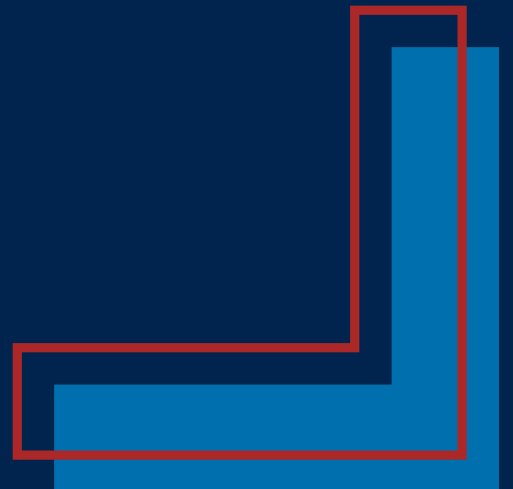
canceled critical contracts aimed at ending veteran homelessness and preventing veteran suicide. This administration has now overseen the largest mass firing of veterans in American history—an attack on those who have already given so much to this country.

The CBC condemned these actions in the strongest possible terms, making clear that stripping veterans of essential resources is unacceptable. In coordination with the House Democratic Steering & Policy Committee’s hearing on Republican cuts targeting veterans, the CBC held a press conference to highlight the devastating impact these cuts would have on the lives and wellbeing of our nation’s heroes.





MEMBER HIGHLIGHTS





- **Sen. Reverend Raphael Warnock** hosted an in-person town hall at Zion Hill Baptist Church in South Fulton, Georgia, taking questions from a crowd of over 800 constituents.
- **Sen. Reverend Raphael Warnock** successfully pressured the Trump Administration to rehire hundreds of unfairly terminated workers at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention after a months-long campaign. This follows his earlier efforts to reinstate CDC probationary staff and fellows working on public health threats.
- **Rep. Jennifer McClellan** introduced the Mental Health Infrastructure Improvement Act, a bipartisan, bicameral bill that establishes a loan and loan-guarantee program within the Department of Health and Human Services to address facility shortages amid a growing mental health crisis.
- **Rep. Jennifer McClellan** held four town halls in three months to address constituent concerns about the Trump Administration and emphasize the importance of public engagement during this fragile time for American democracy.
- **Rep. Lucy McBath** introduced the Clean Slate Act, legislation designed to provide second chances for individuals with nonviolent criminal records. It empowers eligible individuals to rejoin the workforce and contribute positively to society.
- **Rep. Lucy McBath** led the House reintroduction of the federal Assault Weapons Ban, which aims to ban certain semi-automatic weapons and high-capacity magazines—frequently used in mass shootings such as those in Highland Park, Uvalde, Parkland, and the Atlanta spa.
- **Rep. LaMonica McIver** introduced the Safer Neighborhoods Gun Buyback Act of 2025, which allocates \$360 million to establish state and local gun buyback programs, helping remove unwanted firearms from communities nationwide and empowering local safety efforts.
- **Rep. LaMonica McIver** introduced the SNAP Benefits Fairness Act, eliminating the housing cap on SNAP and allowing recipients to claim high housing costs when applying for benefits, ensuring fairer assessments based on true take-home income.
- **Rep. Troy A. Carter, Sr.** relaunched the Men's Health Caucus following the passing of CBC leader, **Congressman Donald Payne** (D-NJ). He continues to raise awareness about men's health, encourage proactive care, and promote legislation to improve outcomes for men, boys, and families.
- **Rep. Troy A. Carter, Sr.** traveled across Louisiana to meet farmers, producers, and agricultural experts—highlighting pressing food-system

challenges and underscoring the urgent need for strong federal support, especially through the Farm Bill.

- **Rep. Bonnie Watson Coleman** announced the reintroduction of the Pursuing Equity in Mental Health Act, which addresses the youth mental health crisis through research funding, development of a culturally competent provider pipeline, outreach programs, and provider training to reduce disparities.
- **Rep. Bonnie Watson Coleman** introduced the bipartisan, bicameral Civil Rights Cold Case Records Collection Reauthorization Act of 2025, extending the Review Board's authorization for four years to complete case investigations and offer families closure.
- **Rep. Bonnie Watson Coleman** helped reintroduce a bill to prohibit insurance companies from using income, credit score, education level, or other non-driving-related factors to raise rates—protecting low-income individuals, non-homeowners, and good drivers.
- **Rep. Bonnie Watson Coleman** issued a statement condemning Trump's Islamophobic, racist travel ban targeting Muslim-majority and African nations, highlighting the blatant attacks on working-class people of all backgrounds.
- **Rep. Marilyn Strickland**, along with Congressional Caucus on Black Innovation Co-chair **Rep. Stacey Plaskett**, hosted panel discussions on the state of AI and how to support Black innovation and entrepreneurship at the federal level.
- **Rep. Marilyn Strickland** questioned Defense Secretary Pete Hegseth about whether historic Black and minority leaders would be honored in the Army parade.
- **Rep. Jahana Hayes** participated in a CNN town hall, highlighting the Department of Education's role in protecting student civil rights and advocating for thoughtful use of tariffs to support American workers without causing economic harm.
- **Rep. Jahana Hayes** introduced the School Violence Prevention Act, which provides grants to organizations for school-based programs aimed at preventing gun violence and promoting healthy youth development.
- **Sen. Lisa Blunt Rochester** highlighted the impact of proposed Republican Medicaid cuts on Delawareans by sharing constituent stories on the Senate floor. Her "Share Your Story" portal has received over 275 Delawarean submissions, uplifting brave, compelling voices.
- **Sen. Lisa Blunt Rochester** demanded answers from HHS Secretary Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. regarding CDC leadership. After weeks of stonewalling, Secretary Kennedy finally revealed the acting director's name during her committee hearing—demonstrating her effectiveness in demanding public health transparency.
- **Rep. Robin Kelly** participated in a panel on gun violence prevention at Prairie State College, a predominantly Black institution. The panel, part of a larger summit on turning gun violence awareness into action, discussed efforts to reduce gun violence at the federal, state, and local levels.
- **Rep. Robin Kelly** traveled across the district to hear constituents' concerns in response to the harmful actions of the Trump administration. She hosted a town hall, visited a food bank, held a roundtable on public education, toured a dispatch center, and went live on Instagram to discuss maternal health and other health crises impacting Black women across the nation.
- **Rep. Janelle Bynum** launched her "Give 'Em Hell" Tour, a 10-stop town hall series running through the summer and reaching every corner of her district. Rep. Bynum will travel over 450 miles across Oregon's Fifth Congressional District to reject the Trump administration's harmful agenda and engage with her constituents.
- **Rep. Janelle Bynum** introduced the College Student-Athlete Protections and Opportunities through Rights, Transparency, and Safety (College SPORTS) Act to protect and preserve college athletics. This first-of-its-kind, bipartisan bill would establish national standards for how college athletes can earn compensation for their name, image, and likeness, while also

strengthening academic, health, and financial protections.

- **Rep. Shontel Brown**, joined by more than 250 Ohioans, hosted her second annual OH-11 Housing Expo & Conference at Cuyahoga Community College in Warrensville Heights, Ohio. The event brought together dozens of federal, state, and local agencies, nonprofits, utilities, and financial institutions to connect residents with housing resources and guidance. Rep. Brown spoke on the importance of fair lending and fair housing laws, and the need to expand homeownership opportunities for Black Americans.
- **Rep. Shontel Brown** hosted a briefing in Cleveland with community leaders from across Northeast Ohio in response to increasing incidents of hate and intolerance, including the burning of books on Black, Jewish, and LGBTQ+ topics from the Beachwood, Ohio library. Representatives from the Urban League, NAACP of Cleveland, and local churches spoke on the challenges facing Black Americans in Northeast Ohio and the need to combat hatred.
- **Sen. Angela Alsobrooks** hosted a "Sick of It" rally outside the NIH. At the rally, in front of over 250 Marylanders, Senator Alsobrooks called on RFK Jr. to resign as Secretary of Health and Human Services. In the week following the rally, Senator Alsobrooks officially filed a resolution of disapproval of Secretary Kennedy. The resolution states that the Senate and the American people have no confidence in Secretary Robert F. Kennedy Jr.
- **Sen. Angela Alsobrooks** introduced the Homeless Children & Youth Act, a bipartisan bill that would give 4.2 million youth and young adults access to the resources and support they need to escape homelessness.
- **Rep. Terri Sewell**, in response to the Trump administration's attempts to shut down Job Corps centers across the nation, penned an op-ed for AL.com about why we should all be fighting to save them. She highlighted the program's essential role in preparing young people for successful careers and providing a pathway out of poverty for our nation's at-risk youth.
- **Rep. Terri Sewell** spoke out against massive cuts to health care and food assistance during the Ways and Means Committee markup of President Trump's "Big Ugly Bill." She shared the story of her 6-year-old constituent, Harper, who lives with cerebral palsy and relies on Medicaid to live at home with her family. During debate in the Rules Committee, Rep. Sewell offered two amendments to expand access to health care and protect funding for public schools—both of which were rejected by House Republicans.
- **Rep. Valerie Foushee**, alongside **Reps. Emanuel Cleaver** and **Raul Ruiz**, introduced the Cool Roofs Rebate Act—legislation to create a rebate program for reflective products that lower home temperatures and reduce energy consumption and costs.
- **Rep. Valerie Foushee** hosted a roundtable with special guest **Rep. Maxwell Frost** and local international development organizations to discuss the Trump administration's efforts to dismantle USAID. North Carolina is the fourth-largest recipient of USAID funding in the United States, and these devastating cuts have resulted in thousands of professionals across the state losing their jobs and the termination of vital partnerships with local universities.
- **Rep. Alma Adams** held a press conference for the Social Security Day of Action to discuss ongoing threats to Social Security in North Carolina's 12th Congressional District and across the country. The press conference was attended by over 100 supporters and covered by a dozen North Carolina news outlets.
- **Rep. Alma Adams** and **Rep. Sydney Kamlager-Dove** held a Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) Roundtable to discuss the impact of the Trump administration's policies on HBCUs and the vital role they play in empowering Black students nationwide.
- **Rep. Joe Neguse** went onsite to meet with agency officials and get answers following disturbing reports of DOGE personnel arriving unannounced at NOAA and NIST in Boulder, Colorado.

- **Rep. Joe Neguse** participated in the 22-hour marathon Rules Committee hearing on Republicans' disastrous budget reconciliation bill, helping to shine a light on the reckless provisions included in the GOP tax scam.
- **Rep. Dwight Evans** introduced the LEON Act (H.R. 3681), a bipartisan job-training bill—Leveraging Educational Opportunity Networks (LEON) Act—to help build pathways out of poverty and address the nation's long-term labor shortage. The bill is named for civil rights leader Rev. Dr. Leon H. Sullivan, who in 1964 founded a global network of skills-training organizations under the umbrella of Opportunities Industrialization Centers (OIC).
- **Rep. Dwight Evans** introduced the "Claws Off Social Security" Act (H.R. 2999), aimed at protecting struggling seniors from drastic "clawback" payments ordered by the Trump administration. The bill would cap repayments of mistaken overpayments at a reasonable 10 percent of monthly benefits, restoring a policy the Biden administration implemented last year.
- **Rep. Cleo Fields** has hosted six town halls, engaging constituents from every region of the district. At these town halls, district staff are available to provide constituent services, and the Congressman is able to hear from residents and local officials on the state's most pressing concerns. He will continue to prioritize transparency in the upcoming town halls throughout the year.
- **Rep. Yvette D. Clarke** hosted an in-person town hall on June 16 in NY-09 (Brooklyn, NY) to address Trump's unconstitutional actions and to provide an overview of the first quarter of the 119th Congress. Rep. Clarke gave a brief update on Trump's executive orders—including travel bans, mass deportations, the dismantling of federal agencies, and the "Big Ugly Bill." She was joined by activist Maya Wiley and attorneys from the grassroots immigrant-led nonprofit Make the Road New York.
- **Rep. Yvette D. Clarke** launched the bipartisan, first-of-its-kind Congressional Creators Caucus, carving out a space dedicated to the diverse and emerging content creation industry, helping inform Congress on the unique challenges faced by digital entrepreneurs and focusing on solutions that will create job growth, safety, and security for digital small businesses.
- **Rep. Sydney Kamlager-Dove** introduced the FIRE Act, which honors the dignity and service of incarcerated firefighters by establishing fair labor standards, providing career training opportunities, and creating a clear pathway to expungement for those who have already demonstrated their commitment to rehabilitation.
- **Rep. Sydney Kamlager-Dove** conducted an oversight visit to the Adelanto ICE Processing Center to check on her constituents and inquire about the legality of the recent raids in Los Angeles.
- **Rep. Nikema Williams** introduced the Minority Entrepreneurship Grant Program Act to invest in the next generation of diverse business leaders by providing critical support to student entrepreneurs at Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) and Minority-Serving Institutions (MSIs). The bill establishes a grant program within the Small Business Administration (SBA) to help address the systemic barriers that often limit access to capital for young entrepreneurs of color.
- **Rep. Nikema Williams** was joined by House **Democratic Whip Katherine Clark** for an Atlanta press event on June 20, 2025, to spotlight the harmful effects of the Trump administration's reconciliation bill on Georgia's healthcare system. Citing an American Hospital Association-commissioned study that projected a \$540 million loss for rural Georgia hospitals over a decade, Williams warned the legislation could shutter critical care facilities in her district and across the state.
- **Rep. Steven Horsford** introduced the Apex Area Technical Corrections Act, legislation that will allow Clark County to acquire certain federal land (referred to as the Apex Site) and help solidify the community's autonomy in making critical investments without unnecessary hurdles from Washington. Local control of the Apex Site means more jobs, more industries, and more economic growth for the community.

- **Rep. Steven Horsford** introduced "The Break the Cycle of Violence" Act on the 33rd anniversary of his father's murder. This Act would create a nationwide strategy for safer communities and invest in evidence-based violence reduction initiatives through community violence intervention (CVI) and prevention programs, funding to community-based, nonprofit organizations and local governments to support anti-violence programs, and funding to workforce training and job opportunities for at-risk youths.
 - **Rep. James Clyburn** joined **Leader Hakeem Jeffries** and **Rep. Emanuel Cleaver** for a roundtable with 41 Black faith leaders to explore ways to engage the faith community and develop strategies for delivering accurate and reliable information. This engagement is critical, as faith leaders play a vital role in shaping public opinion, mobilizing civic participation, and ensuring their communities are informed and empowered—particularly in the face of misinformation and growing distrust in public institutions.
 - **Rep. James Clyburn** held a series of listening sessions across the 6th District of South Carolina, including a town hall in Lake City focused on the economic threats posed by tariffs, education cuts, and healthcare disparities included in the president's "Huge Ugly Bill". Rep. Clyburn emphasized the importance of unity among working-class, middle-class, and wealthy Americans in opposing these harmful cuts that will negatively impact communities across the board.
 - **Rep. Emilia Sykes** hosted a ceremony to commemorate the naming of the Wolf Ledges Parkway Post Office Building to the "James R. Williams Post Office". Last year, Rep. Sykes introduced legislation to name the post office in honor of the late Judge Williams, which President Biden signed into law in early January.
 - **Rep. Jonathan L. Jackson** conducted two oversight visits to ICE facilities in Chicago with **Representatives Raja Krishnamoorthi, Chuy García, Danny Davis, and Delia Ramirez**. ICE officials denied entry to all Members of Congress and instructed them to schedule an appointment.
- Lawmakers are now exploring possible legal options in response to what they view as obstruction of their constitutional responsibilities.
- **Rep. Jonathan L. Jackson** joined the No Kings protest in Chicago, where he marched with his father, Rev. Jesse Jackson, and more than 80,000 people. The protest condemned the president's unlawful actions and authoritarian overreach and forcefully reaffirmed the constitutional principle of three equal branches of government.
 - **Rep. Sylvester Turner**, and his office of the 18th Congressional District of Texas hosted the Veterans Information and Resources Fair, an event aimed at connecting veterans with vital services and information to enhance their quality of life and career opportunities.
 - **Rep. Bennie Thompson** was joined by **Democratic Whip Katherine Clark** for a Hospital Week of Action. Rep. Thompson held a rural hospital press conference, two rural hospital tours, and a town hall in Quitman County to address the harmful attacks possessed in the House Republicans' Big Ugly Bill.
 - **Rep. Bennie Thompson** hosted a Municipal Elected Officials Workshop in Mississippi's Second District. The workshop brought together newly elected and re-elected municipal officials and provided them with essential resources for effectively running their local governments. Held in partnership with nonprofits and other government agencies, the workshop covered key topics such as conducting board meetings, hiring staff, and navigating the audit process.
 - **Rep. Joyce Beatty** introduced the Campus Housing Affordability for Foster Youth Act, a bipartisan bill that would allow students who are in or formerly in foster care, as well as emancipated youth, to use the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Housing Choice Voucher Program (Section 8) to pay for on-campus college housing. The bill would give the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development the authority to waive certain restrictions, making it possible for eligible students to access safe and stable housing while pursuing their education.

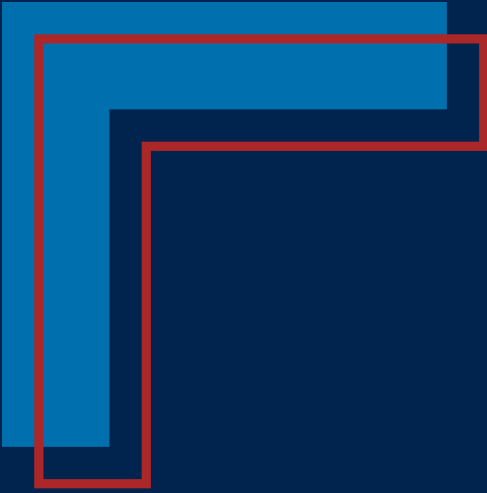
- **Rep. Joyce Beatty** introduced the Advancing the Mentor Protégé Program for Small Financial Institutions Act. The bill strengthens resources for small and rural financial institutions—including Minority Depository Institutions (MDIs)—by expanding opportunities to partner with larger banks for mentorship, training, and support.
- **Rep. Emanuel Cleaver II** hosted former Maryland Governor and Social Security Commissioner Martin O'Malley for a conversation with local seniors at John Knox Village. The discussion focused on key issues facing seniors under the Trump administration, like threats to Social Security and veteran's benefits, as well as potential cuts to vital programs like Medicaid and Medicare.
- **Rep. Emanuel Cleaver II** was awarded the 2025 Shirley Chisholm Award for Housing by the National Urban League, given to a lawmaker whose commitment and work has expanded access to fair and affordable housing in the United States. In a ceremony this month, Cleaver accepted the prestigious award from National Urban League President and CEO Marc Morial at the organization's 2025 Empowerment Summit in Washington, DC.
- **Rep. Shomari Figures** introduced the Land-Grant Institution Parity Act to ensure equitable funding for HBCUs and led a bipartisan, bicameral effort to reauthorize the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) National Estuary Program. He also submitted key appropriations requests to invest in infrastructure, public health, and education across Alabama's 2nd Congressional District. Additionally, Rep. Figures delivered keynote addresses at Tuskegee University and Alabama State University, celebrating the achievements of the next generation of leaders.
- **Rep. Sheila Cherfilus-McCormick** introduced the All-Americans Tax Relief Act, comprehensive tax relief legislation that boosts economic mobility, lowers costs, and improves the financial security and well-being of hard-working South Florida families and families across the country.
- **Rep. Sheila Cherfilus-McCormick** introduced the Specialist Fourth Class Keith Smith Glioblastoma Parity Act, bipartisan legislation that would amend the Honoring our PACT Act to include glioblastoma as a presumptive condition for Agent Orange exposure for Vietnam veterans.
- **Rep. Lateefah Simon** toured the Port of Oakland, following Trump's liberation day tariff announcements. She subsequently convened a roundtable and press conference with port, labor, and small business stakeholders on the negative impacts of a chaotic tariff policy. Additionally, Congresswoman Simon has now conducted 7 town halls since January 2025, including 5 town halls in Q2 specifically in San Leandro, Alameda, Berkeley, Emeryville, and one virtually.
- **Rep. Lateefah Simon** introduced the ThinkDIFFERENTLY About Disability Act, which aims to uplift disabled entrepreneurs and connect them directly with small business employment opportunities passed the House with bipartisan support.
- **Rep. Lateefah Simon** also co-led the introduction of the See the Board Act with Rep. Jahana Hayes, legislation that would provide grants to non-profit organizations that provide free, mobile vision services for children in public K-12 schools.
- **Rep. Glenn Ivey** took part in a gun violence awareness walk.
- **Democratic Leader Hakeem Jeffries** delivered a powerful address to call out the chaos, cruelty and corruption of President Trump's first 100 days and break down how House Democrats are fighting to protect the American people.
- **Democratic Leader Hakeem Jeffries** hosted a town hall meeting in Brooklyn to provide updates on his work in Washington, answer constituent questions and hear from those directly impacted by the Trump administration.
- **Rep. André Carson** and **Rep. Mike Levin** introduced the Medical Research for Our Troops Act to restore full funding to the Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs, which

were slashed by 57% earlier this year. These programs fund lifesaving, high-risk, high-reward research on conditions like traumatic brain injuries, breast cancer, and ALS, which disproportionately affect veterans and service members.

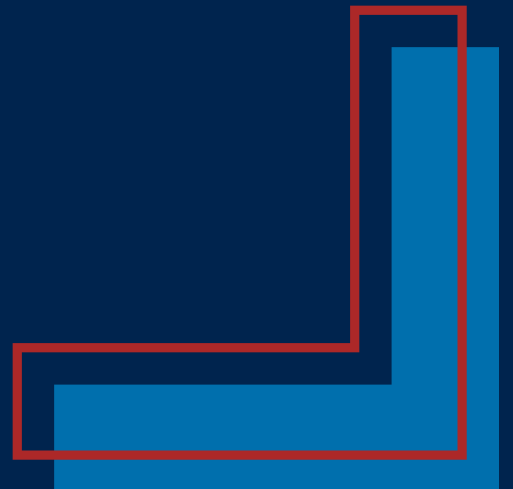
- **Rep. André Carson** demanded the restoration of funding to the U.S. Forest Service after cuts by the Trump administration through a letter joined by 11 Members of Congress, in which he called out the USDA for targeting terms like “equity” and “biodiversity” in grant applications, calling it “bureaucratic overreach.”
- **Rep. André Carson** highlighted the stories of three women from Indianapolis during testimony on a proposed reconciliation bill, emphasizing their fears about losing access to essential healthcare programs like Medicaid. Their stories represent the thousands who have expressed deep concern over proposed cuts that threaten the wellbeing of families and communities. Carson called on Congress to protect healthcare access for the most vulnerable, including children, seniors, and postpartum mothers.
- **Rep. Kweisi Mfume** worked to eliminate food deserts in West Baltimore by celebrating the grand opening of The Mill on North food hall—of which he helped secure \$800,000 for—as well as announcing a new supermarket, Streets Market, that is coming soon.
- **Rep. Kweisi Mfume** broke ground on a new \$15 million recreation center in South Baltimore—with \$5.7 million of this funding coming from the American Rescue Plan Act—that will be named after **Congressman Elijah Cummings** to honor his legacy and inspire the next generation to lead as trailblazers, consensus builders, and champions of working people everywhere.
- **Rep. Stacey Plaskett** secured a significant advocacy win in securing exemptions for the Virgin Islands and the wider Caribbean region from the Trump Administration’s port fee actions, as well as led a letter to USTR Ambassador Greer and the Administration, with Members of Congress from both the Atlantic and Pacific areas to make the case for an exemption for the territories and US-owned companies and underscore the impact of these fees on the Virgin Islands, which would have permeated through the Caribbean region.
- **Rep. Stacey Plaskett** hosted 2 virtual meetings in April with key stakeholders—including local physicians and the Chief Medical Officers—of the three rural hospitals in the Virgin Islands, particularly given the heightened concerns related to hospitals in the territory and other rural areas, including staffing shortages, supply deficits, and operational challenges.
- **Rep. Sanford D. Bishop, Jr.** and **Rep. Brett Guthrie**, the co-chairs of the bipartisan Congressional Job Corps Caucus, led a letter signed by 199 members of Congress to U.S. Department of Labor Secretary Lori Chavez-DeRemer urging her to continue the Job Corps program in response to the U.S. Department of Labor issuing a notice that it will begin a phased pause in operations at contractor-operated Job Corps centers across the country.
- **Rep. Sanford D. Bishop, Jr.** hosted a fiscal workshop at Albany State University, in Albany, GA, to discuss the budget process and featuring the Concord Coalition in order to help raise public awareness of the causes and consequences of the current federal budget situation, especially in light of Congressional consideration of the Republican budget reconciliation bill.
- **Rep. Frederica Wilson**, a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., awarded over \$1 million to the Divine Nine Organizations in Miami-Dade County. The purpose of the Divine Nine Congressional Earmark is to upgrade, renovate, and build spaces where Divine Nine Organizations and the community can gather to teach and mentor our youth.
- **Rep. Frederica Wilson**, alongside other CBC members, hosted a policy briefing on the Property Insurance Crisis in Florida and across the nation. Rep. Frederica Wilson brought policy experts to discuss the rising costs of property insurance, its coverage, and the challenges consumers face when dealing with property insurance.

- **Rep. Al Green** filed H.Res.415 to impeach President Donald John Trump for flouting federal court orders, the separation of powers, the independence of the federal judiciary, and the constitutional mandate of due process. He is calling for swift action to prevent the devolution of our democracy into authoritarianism.
- **Rep. Al Green** joined thousands of protesters in Downtown Houston and League City at the No Kings Protests on Saturday, June 14 in opposition to President Trump's authoritarian actions, promising to work towards bringing an impeachment vote on the House floor.
- **Rep. Glenn Ivey** hosted a job fair at the Showplace Arena Prince George's County that featured over 40 hiring organizations and drew in over 4000 job seekers.
- **Rep. Glenn Ivey** hosted Gun Violence Prevention advocates from Prince George's County on Capitol Hill for the Appropriations Committee hearing with AG Pam Bondi. **Congressman Ivey** and the advocates highlighted the devastating harms of DOJ's budget cuts to programs that support victims and survivors of gun violence.
- **Rep. Hank Johnson** — who was the highest ranked elected official present at the "No Kings Day" rally held in Atlanta on June 14, 2025 — delivered a passionate address, calling on attendees to "get into trouble. Good trouble. Nonviolence, peaceful trouble," echoing the late civil rights icon, Georgia **Congressman John Lewis**. He criticized the Trump administration's actions, including the firing of CDC workers, and urged the crowd to stand in solidarity and demand restoration of critical staffing and funding.
- **Rep. Gregory Meeks** co-led the introduction of the Black Music Month Resolution with **Representatives Shontel Brown, Andre Carson** and **Senator Cory Booker**. The Resolution acknowledges the deep-rooted legacy of African American musical innovation and marks June as the official month of Black music. This resolution continues to honor the foundations laid by generations of Black artists who have shaped the course of musical history.
- **Rep. Gregory Meeks** co-led the introduction of legislation to posthumously award the late **Congressman Charles B. Rangel** the Congressional Gold Medal along with **Representatives Espaillat, Clarke, Torres, Neal**, and **Senate Democratic Leader Schumer**.
- **Rep. Don Davis** participated in several Juneteenth events across eastern North Carolina, which allowed him to connect with residents, local leaders, and community organizers, hearing their perspectives and recognizing the cultural and historical contributions of African Americans in eastern North Carolina. These celebrations featured fellowship, music, food, and thoughtful reflection, underscoring Juneteenth's role as both a celebration of freedom and a reminder of the ongoing work toward justice and equality.
- **Rep. Don Davis** introduced H.R. 3530, the Flight Education Access Act, to increase federal student loan limits for flight training programs and help more students pursue careers in aviation. The bill supports institutions like Elizabeth City State University, an HBCU that offers one of the few four-year aviation science programs in the country. By expanding access to financial assistance, the legislation works to remove economic barriers that prevent aspiring pilots from completing the rigorous and costly training required in the field.





KEY MOMENTS





APRIL 2025

- **April 1:** The CBC held a press conference on Republican efforts to decimate Social Security.
- **April 1:** The CBC applauded Senator Cory Booker's historic 25-hour Senate filibuster.
- **April 7:** The CBC held a Special Order Hour to address President Trump's gutting of the Department of Education.
- **April 9:** The CBC held a press conference on Republican's plan to cut benefits for veterans.
- **April 9:** The CBC, led by Rep. Shontel Brown, issued a letter raising concerns on the nomination of Stephen Vaden as Deputy Secretary of Agriculture.
- **April 9:** The CBC held a Weekly Business Meeting.
- **April 9:** The CBC hosted a briefing for Members in partnership with the Water Agency Leader Alliance.
- **April 10:** The CBC condemned the passage of the SAVE Act.
- **April 10:** The CBC condemned the adoption of the Senate budget framework.
- **April 11:** The CBC hosted a staff briefing in partnership with the Secure Families Initiative.
- **April 11:** The CBC hosted a briefing in partnership with the CBC Foundation.
- **April 16:** The CBC condemned the Trump Administration deportation of Kilmar Armando Abrego Garcia.
- **April 26:** The CBC remembered the life and contributions of former U.S. Labor Secretary Alexis Herman.
- **April 28:** The CBC held a Special Order Hour to recognize Minority Health Month.
- **April 30:** The CBC condemned President Trump's disastrous first 100 days in office.

- **April 30:** The CBC applauded Leader Hakeem Jeffries for his national address on Trump's disastrous 100 days in office.
- **April 30:** The CBC held a Weekly Business Meeting.

MAY 2025

- **May 2:** The CBC issued a statement on President Trump's disastrous budget request.
- **May 5:** The CBC held a Special Order Hour to make President Trump's disastrous 100 days in office.
- **May 7:** The CBC welcomed Democratic Whip Katherine Clark to the CBC Weekly Business Meeting.
- **May 7:** The CBC held an engagement with Black content creators at the Capitol.
- **April 21:** The CBC hosted a staff briefing in partnership with the New Democratic Coalition and the National Alliance for Public Charter Schools.

- **May 8:** The CBC condemned the acquittals of officers responsible for the murder of Tyre Nichols.
- **May 9:** The CBC condemned the Trump Administration's firing of the Librarian of Congress, Carla Hayden.
- **May 9:** The CBC condemned President Trump's removal of NTSB Vice Chair Alvin Brown.
- **May 9:** The CBC issued a statement on the Delaney Hall incident.
- **May 9:** The CBC hosted a staff briefing in partnership with CTIA-The Wireless Association.
- **May 13:** The CBC held a Special Order Hour to address Republican efforts to slash the social safety net.
- **May 14:** The CBC held a Weekly Business Meeting.
- **May 15:** The CBC held a meeting with African Ambassadors and representatives from the African Union.
- **May 15:** The CBC held a Pen & Pad Briefing with reporters to address the reconciliation package.
- **May 19:** The CBC issued a statement of support for Rep. LaMonica McIver following bogus charges by the Trump Administration.
- **May 19:** The CBC held a Special Order Hour to address Trump's attacks on Black museums and cultural sites.

- **May 20:** The CBC, DWC, and CPC held a joint press conference in support of Rep. LaMonica McIver.
- **May 21:** The CBC held a Weekly Business Meeting.
- **May 26:** The CBC remembered the life and contributions of CBC founding member and former Chair, Rep. Charles B. Rangel.

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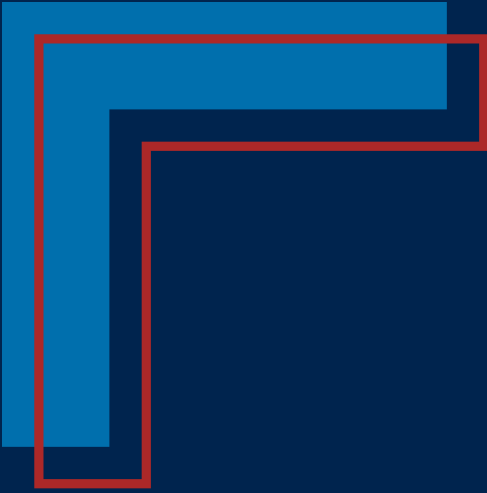
- **June 3:** The CBC held a Special Order Hour to recognize National Gun Violence Awareness Month
- **June 5:** The CBC convened a meeting with the Haitian Ambassador to the United States.
- **June 4:** The CBC held a Weekly Business Meeting.
- **June 6:** The CBC condemned President Trump's travel ban.
- **June 6:** The CBC co-hosted a Tri-Caucus briefing alongside Protecting Immigrant Families, the National Housing Law Project, and National Low Income Housing Coalition.
- **June 9:** The CBC held a Special Order Hour to recognize Men's Health Month.
- **June 10:** The Tri-Caucus held a joint press conference addressing President Trump's actions in response to protests in Los Angeles.
- **June 10:** The CBC held a digital activation with Elizabeth Booker Houston on Instagram.
- **June 11:** The CBC held an emergency meeting with civil rights leaders in response to Los Angeles protests.
- **June 11:** The CBC welcomed the National Black Caucus of State Legislators to the U.S. Capitol.
- **June 11:** The CBC welcomed participants of the CBCI Bootcamp to the Weekly Business Meeting.
- **June 11:** The CBC held a candidate forum for the Oversight Committee chair race.



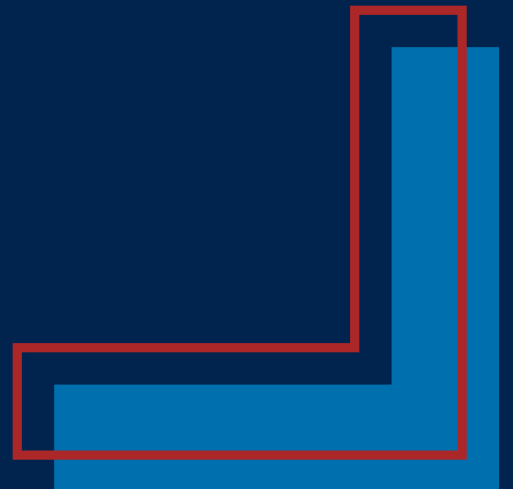
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- **June 11:** The CBC condemned the Trump Administration's baseless indictment of Rep. LaMonica McIver.
- **June 18:** The CBC applauded a court decision to strike down President Trump's cuts to NIH Minority Health Research Funding.
- **June 19:** The CBC commemorated Juneteenth National Independence Day.
- **June 19:** Chair Clarke spoke at the Prayer Vigil and Rally for Haiti at the Christian Cultural Center in New York.
- **June 23:** The CBC held a Special Order Hour to commemorate Juneteenth.
- **June 23:** The CBC held a meeting with Black clergy leaders on Capitol Hill.
- **June 24:** The CBC co-hosted a Tri-Caucus staff briefing with the Reproductive Freedom Caucus, the Abortion Rights and Access Task Force, and Free & Just Storytellers.
- **June 25:** The CBC held a Weekly Business Meeting.
- **June 26:** The CBC co-hosted a memorial ceremony for the late Rep. Charles B. Rangel.
- **June 26:** The CBC met with the Target Corporation leadership to address the company's reversal on its diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives.
- **June 26:** The CBC hosted a roundtable discussion in honor of Gun Violence Prevention Month.
- **June 27:** The CBC condemned the Supreme Court decision to limit the federal judiciary's ability to issue nationwide injunctions against the Trump Administration.
- **June 27:** The CBC hosted a meeting with civil rights coalition group leaders to assess the current state of the nation and the threat this administration poses to our communities.
- **June 30:** The CBC celebrated Pride Month.





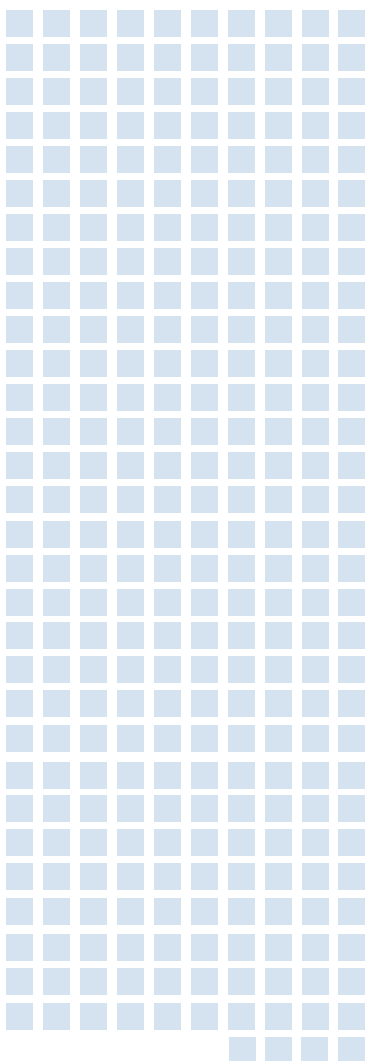
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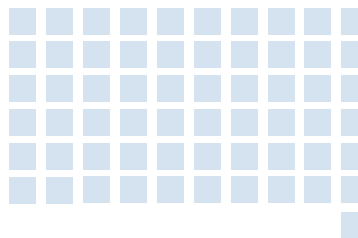
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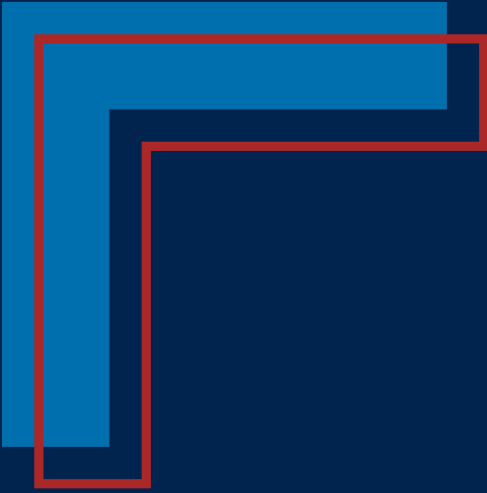
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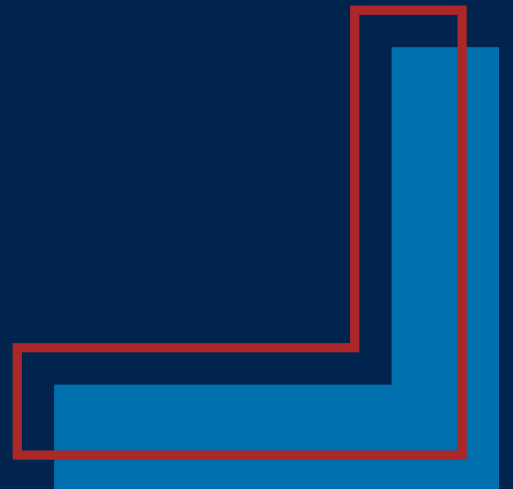
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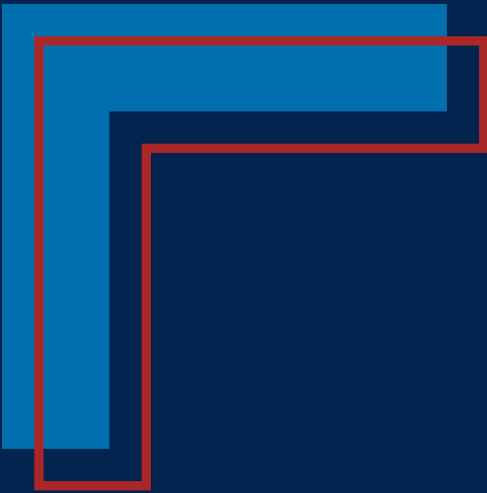
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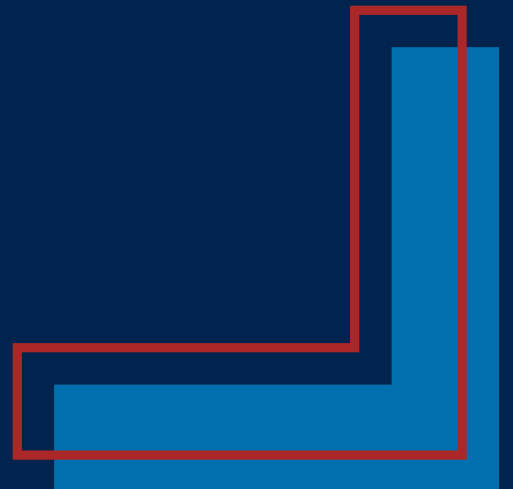
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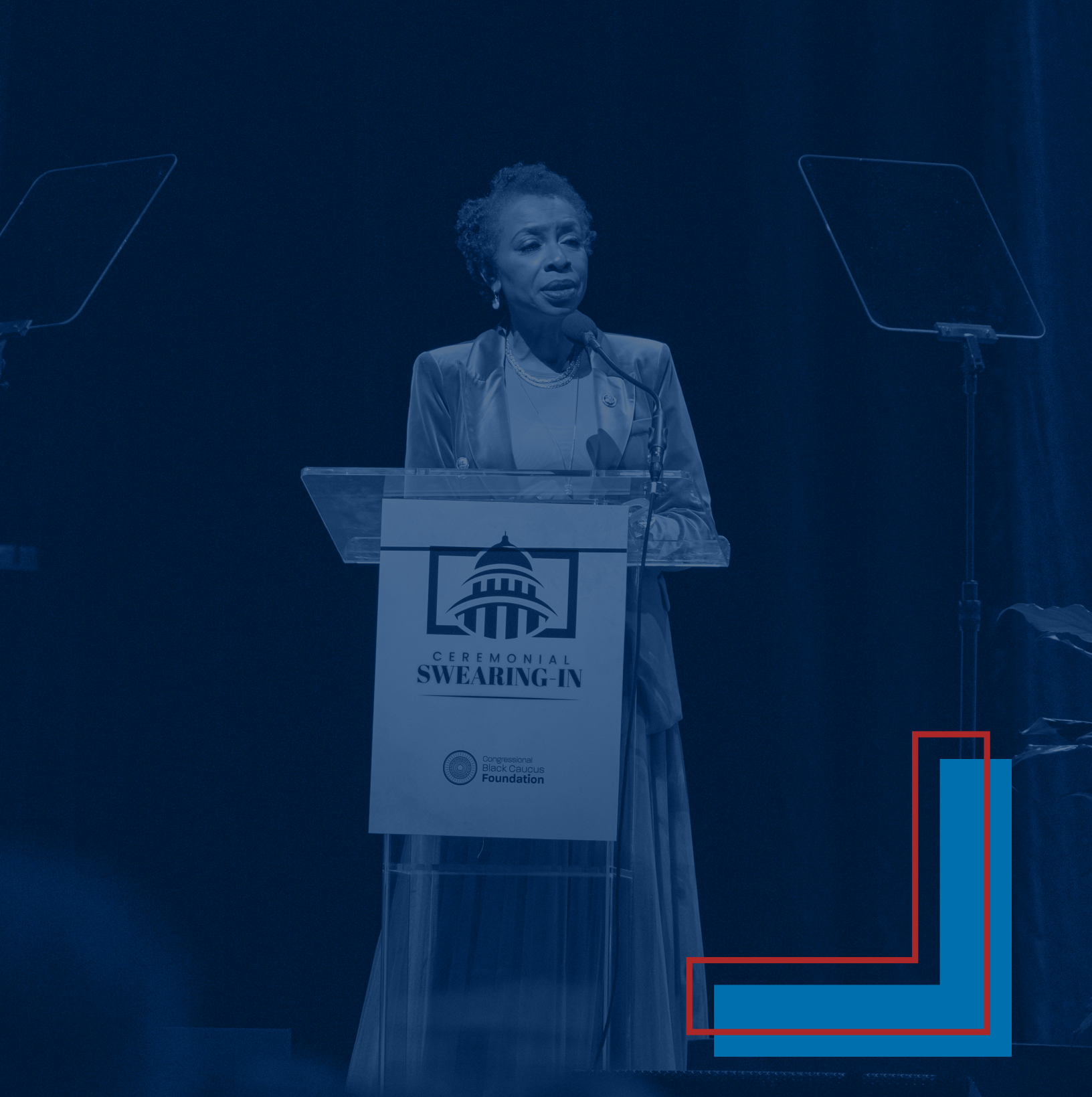
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