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The President The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

Amend the 13th

Thank you for taking the time to read our request for a very important change designed to alter our nation's future. As you know, the Thirteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution set in motion the abolition of slavery in our country. However, certain language was inserted in this amendment which significantly diminished the ability of prior slaves to truly remain free. We Are an Anti-Racist World (WAaAW) is appealing to lawmakers across the county to set forth a simple, yet dramatic message to those who were injured socially, economically and spiritually.

Simply asked, removing the following language would keep intact the intention of the Thirteenth Amendment while demonstrating compassion for those individuals who helped shaped our great nation in so many ways:

"...except as a punishment for crime, whereof the party shall have been duly convicted..."

The resulting language would remain strong and proud to affirm the abolition of slavery within the United States of America:

"Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude shall exist within the United States, or any place subject to their jurisdiction."

WAaAW respectfully asks that yourself, along with all other lawmakers, consider setting in motion an action which would create a conscious effort towards a long overdue reconciliation within our population. WAaAW very much looks forward to your affirmative response with the details your office may employ to produce a positive outcome.

Together We Stand,

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