

March 31, 2021

Honorable Barbara Lee 2470 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Lee:

The League of Women Voters of the United States is pleased to endorse H.Con.Res. 19, a concurrent resolution urging the establishment of a United States Commission on Truth, Racial Healing, and Transformation. We thank you for introducing this resolution.

The League of Women Voters has a long-standing commitment to equality for all Americans. We have worked for over 100 years to achieve a just system that protects every American's right to vote. Voting rights and racial justice are inextricably linked, as the suppression of communities of color is regularly enacted through attacks on voting rights.

At our 54th Convention last summer, delegates resolved that the League of Women Voters help our elected officials and all Americans recognize these truths to be selfevident; that Black, Indigenous and all people of color (BIPOC) deserve equal protection under the law; and that we demand solutions for the terrible wrongs done. This is imperative to do regardless of race, ethnicity, religion, disability, and gender identity or sexual orientation to ensure that we may truly become a nation "indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

The League is committed to continuing the fight for racial justice in our democracy. We believe that H.Con.Res.19 takes a big step forward in calling for a Commission on Truth, Racial Healing and Transformation. If we can be helpful as this resolution moves through the legislative process, please let us know. We thank you for your leadership and look forward to working with you to pass this all-important resolution.

Sincerely,

Virginia Kase, CEO