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Statement – Texas Senate Bill 6

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BALTIMORE – There are bills mimicking North Carolina’s infamous House Bill 2 circulating in state legislatures across the nation. These bills are often cloaked in titles that purport to reduce regulations on business or protect religious freedom, but in truth they are merely thinly-guided Attempts by certain legislators to enshrine discrimination in public law. Not since the days of Jim Crow have we seen such obvious attempts to cast our fellow citizens into a second class citizenship status by using hate-inspired legislation. These bills seek to overthrow existing civil rights protections and to restrict the ability of local governments to protect their communities from discrimination or limit the rights of individuals to seek enforcement of their civil rights in state and local courts. Texas Senate Bill 6 is sadly an example of such odious efforts.

The NAACP opposes this type of draconian legislation wherever it is put forward. For 108 years the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People has fought to secure the full rights of United States citizenship for every person who is part of our national fabric. We will strenuously oppose such blatant discrimination now, just as we have opposed it throughout our 108-year history.

We urge the people of goodwill, people of sincere faith, people in the business community and The corporate world and everyone else who understands the detrimental effect such proposals Will have on our communities to join us in opposing Texas Senate Bill 6 and its siblings in Legislatures across this country. We encourage organizations and individuals who oppose such Regressive and discriminatory legislation to contact their state legislatures and tell them to vote Against Texas Senate Bill 6.

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Founded in 1909, the NAACP is the nation’s oldest and largest nonpartisan civil rights organization. Its members throughout the United States and the world are the premier advocates for civil rights in their communities.