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**The National Black Church Initiative Will Join With  
the ACLU and Other Organizations to Oppose the  
President's Executive Order on Immigration**

*We are baffled concerning the aim of the order*

**Washington, DC** – The National Black Church Initiative (NBCI), a faith-based coalition of 34,000 churches comprised of 15 denominations and 15.7 million African Americans, will join with Civil Rights groups and the ACLU and the Board of Bishops of the African Methodist Episcopal Church (AME) to oppose President Trump's executive orders eliminating the entry into this country based on geography, race and religion. Our constitution, which once made reference to race concerning its African American citizens as 3/5 is no longer a document that has a dark history on declaring who is human and who is not. The same Constitution has corrected itself with the blood, sweat and tears of its African American citizens. We can no longer allow it to be used against our brothers and sisters from the designated 7 countries that were banned by the President's order.

It is obvious that the way this order was written and administered is unconstitutional and this is why we have had 2-3 federal judges block the implementation of this order, mainly on our Muslim brothers and sisters. The Black Church is well aware of the tactics of portions of the white community when they want to use the Constitution to mask their evil intent. Therefore, we will not allow the Trump Administration to single out, discriminate or to undermine their humanity by not saying anything at all.

Rev. Anthony Evans President of the National Black Church Initiative says, "I would like to commend the ACLU, the State Attorney Generals, members of Congress of both parties who are standing up against the tyranny offered by this Administration within fifteen days of his new Presidency. Let it be clear to President Trump that the Black Church will use the full weight of its power to defend the destitute, the outcast, the untouchables, the disinherited against anyone from this day forward. But if the President is ever right, we will stand and use this same moral power to defend him. In this case he is morally wrong and reprehensible. This is a systematic policy of exclusion and we will have nothing to do with it."

This executive order is racist in its intent and application and therefore we will meet good with evil and oppose that. NBCI is prepared to offer a friend of the court brief if this law is appealed to the Supreme Court. It is our moral obligation and sacred duty, even to protect those who are not of our faith but are members of the human race.

### **ABOUT NBCI**

The National Black Church Initiative (NBCI) is a coalition of 34,000 African American and Latino churches working to eradicate racial disparities in healthcare, technology, education, housing, and the environment. NBCI's mission is to provide critical wellness information to all of its members, congregants, churches and the public. Our methodology is utilizing faith and sound health science.

NBCI's purpose is to partner with major organizations and officials whose main mission is to reduce racial disparities in the variety of areas cited above. NBCI offers faith-based, out-of-the-box and cutting edge solutions to stubborn economic and social issues. NBCI's programs are governed by credible statistical analysis, science based strategies and techniques, and methods that work. Visit our website at [www.naltblackchurch.com](http://www.naltblackchurch.com).