I am grateful for President Biden’s leadership in designating a National Monument at the sites that give the account of Emmett Till’s tragic death. This important part of America’s history provides a testament that recognizes that attending to racial inequity and injustice is paramount.

We know that lifting up stories of racial injustice is important to reach racial healing. A truthful telling of the impact that lynching had on Black communities throughout the nation is critical, particularly in the face of those who seek to bury and forget the tragic past.

The story of Emmett Till rightfully belongs in the national narrative and I celebrate the designation of the Emmett Till and Mamie Till-Mobley National Monument.

Sincerely,
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