

As Black communities across the nation face significant opposition to honoring Black history, I thank President Biden for challenging the organized effort to erase Black history by designating the Emmett Till and Mamie Till-Mobley National Monument. I join with faith leaders here in Chicago and across the nation in celebrating this designation.

The abduction, torture and lynching of Emmett Till, a 14-year old Chicago boy, helped spark the Civil Rights Movement and showcased the ugly truth of racism and hatred. History, when rightfully told, is not just informative but healing. As we celebrate Emmett Till's birthday with the designation of a National Monument to honor his story, I look forward to additional National Monuments that can highlight the full story of Black history.

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