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Dear Friends of the National Black Pre-Law Conference,

It is my pleasure to join with the steering committee and advisory board of the National Black Pre-Law Conference in support of their Fourth Annual Admissions and Preparation Conference and Law Fair 2008.

Since its inception in 2005, the National Black Pre-Law Conference and Law Fair has attracted over 100 law schools from all over the country to attend and recruit future African American law students. Additionally, the conference provides an opportunity for law school administrators, judges, lawyers and current law students to share knowledge and information regarding the legal profession.

As you may be aware, I have been a strong advocate for providing greater opportunities for African Americans in the legal profession. I have and continue to tackle the issue of declining enrollment of African Americans in law school. Recently, I asked the Government Accountability Office (GAO) to investigate contributing factors to the decline of African American enrollment and graduation at America's law schools and have been actively mentoring young African Americans with an interest in the law. That is why I am pleased to support the efforts of the National Black Pre-Law Conference. The information exchanged during this event will play an extremely important role in shaping the careers of up and coming African American lawyers in America.

On behalf of the Congress of the United States of America, and the people of the 11th Congressional District, I would like to extend congratulations to the National Black Pre-Law Conference on what I am sure will be an excellent conference.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stephanie Tubbs Jones".

Stephanie Tubbs Jones
Member of Congress