**A Bill to Provide Reparations to the Descendants of African Slaves**

 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**Section 1**.  The legacy of slavery, Jim Crow Laws, and other discriminatory practices have led to present racial disparities in the United States. Monetary reparations shall be provided to the descendants of former U.S slaves to help ease these disparities.

**Section 2**.   There shall be two qualifying conditions for payment, as suggested by William A. Darity Jr., an economist at Duke University and a leading scholar on reparations: “Having at least one ancestor who was enslaved in the United States, and having identified oneself as African-American on a legal document for at least a decade before the approval of any reparations.” Each recipient will be paid $36,750 in reparations.

**Section 3.**  This legislation will be carried out by the HHS.

A.  Funding shall come from a 20% VAT (Value-Added Tax). Products including groceries and clothing shall not be subject to the VAT.

**SECTION 4.** This legislation will be implemented at the end of the

fiscal year of 2020.

**Section 5.**  All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared

 null and void.

*Respectfully submitted by Timpanogos High School.*