

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Janet Yellen
Secretary of the Treasury
U.S. Department of the Treasury
1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20220

Dear Secretary Yellen,

As the U.S. Treasury moves forward with efforts to place the likeness of Harriet Tubman on the \$20 Federal Reserve note, we write to respectfully request information on your department's plans to unveil the final design and timeline for circulation of the updated note.

Harriet Tubman's legacy as a champion for freedom and equality has made her a pivotal figure in American history and served as an inspiration to millions. As a conductor on the Underground Railroad and a supporter of the women's suffrage movement, Tubman played a critical role in some of the most significant efforts in our country's history to ensure the basic rights of all Americans. With this history in mind, memorializing Harriet Tubman on the \$20 note continues to act as a fitting tribute to her life and legacy, and an important step in recognizing her contributions to our nation.

For this reason, we were greatly encouraged by the Biden Administration's commitment earlier this year to move forward with overdue efforts to place Harriet Tubman's likeness on the \$20 note. This initiative has only become more important since its announcement in 2016 and remains critical to the cause of representation for women and people of color on our nation's currency.

In the interest of ensuring transparency and advancing Harriet Tubman's inclusion on the \$20 Federal Reserve note, we write to request that the U.S. Treasury provide an updated timeline for the reveal and circulation of all Federal Reserve notes currently undergoing the redesign process. Specifically, we ask that the Department provide an updated date for the reveal of the redesigned \$20 note featuring Harriet Tubman, as well as a timeframe for the note's entry into circulation. This information would provide an important reassurance to the many Americans who are invested in this historic effort.

Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter and we look forward to your response.

Sincerely,



John Katko
Member of Congress



Joyce Beatty
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