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@AyannaPressley Unveils Historic Federal Job Guarantee

The resolution draws on historical Civil Rights leaders like Coretta Scott King & economists like Sadie Alexander, & is supported by a wide coalition including @policylink, @NatlJobsForAll, @thepublicmoney, @SEIU, @sunrisemvmt, @CPDAction, @ACREcampaigns, @ourmoneyus, @NelpNews

@AyannaPressley: “It’s time to establish a legal right to a job for all people in America. For years, we have legislated hate, harm & injustice ... It’s long past time to pursue bold, intentional policies that affirm equity & recognize the dignity & humanity of all people.”

@AyannaPressley: "A federal job guarantee is an important investment in the American people, our communities, & an equitable economy that works for all. It affirms the right to meaningful, dignified work & a living wage."

@AyannaPressley: "I’m proud to build upon & honor the legacy & work of generations of Black women Civil Rights leaders by introducing this historic resolution.”

@AyannaPressley joined @Nina_EBanks (President, National Economic Association), @DarrickHamilton, Director, @TheNewSchool’s Institute on Race & Political Economy) & Angela Glover Blackwell (Founder, @policylink) to discuss the resolution.

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A federal #JobGuarantee would provide every person with an enforceable legal right to a quality job. Extending beyond a project based approach, the Resolution calls for the creation of federal jobs that meet long-neglected community, physical and human infrastructure needs.

Funded by the federal government and implemented locally in partnership with communities, the federal #JobGuarantee program would provide public jobs for all adults seeking employment.

By ensuring everyone has access to a good job w dignified wages, safe working conditions, health care & other benefits—including full worker rights & union protections—a #JobGuarantee would address the current jobs crisis while laying the foundation for an equitable recovery.

"Good, family-supporting jobs are the cornerstone of thriving communities...A #JobGuarantee & more access to good union jobs will help...us to join together to build a balanced, inclusive economy that works for all of us," said @MaryKayHenry, International President, @SEIU

"[E]very person deserves...a meaningful job, healthcare & a living wage...This Resolution is not only a step towards a brighter future for young ppl, working ppl &...ppl of color, but is a vital leap towards...a Green New Deal."

- @VarshPrakash, Executive Director, @sunrisemvmt

“Our siblings in the Black Freedom Movement had the foresight to champion a Federal #JobGuarantee...This moment calls for nothing but bold, transformative policies. A #JobGuarantee is...our only path to full employment.”

- Michael Mcafee, President, @policylink

In July, @RepPressley and UCLA historian @DavidpStein co-authored an op-ed...in which they called on the Federal Reserve to take specific steps to address Black unemployment, including by not standing in the way of a federal #JobGuarantee.

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1 year ago in a @FSCDems hearing, @RepPressley questioned @federalreserve Chair Jerome Powell on the...history of the [Fed]’s dual mandate. Powell conceded, for the first time in...history & on the Congressional record, that the Fed alone cannot get the US to full employment.

For more on the campaign for a Job Guarantee, see:

https://t.co/QD1boTD8BT

Also, for those interested in learning more, there will be a virtual town hall *today at 3pm ET*, registration details here:

https://t.co/nsx4sangUg