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Joseph R. Biden
The President of the United States
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President,

We respectfully support the request for action regarding a posthumous pardon for Marcus Mosiah Garvey, made on April 18, 2023. Garvey was wrongly convicted of mail fraud in 1923. As a pioneering leader of the Universal Negro Improvement Association (UNIA), his contributions to the empowerment and upliftment of people of African descent are immeasurable.

Garvey's conviction was marred by judicial and prosecutorial misconduct, including biased proceedings and suborned perjury. Despite these injustices, Garvey's legacy as a champion of social, economic, and political rights endures. His vision and efforts laid the groundwork for future civil rights movements and inspired millions around the world.

Granting a presidential pardon would rectify a historical wrong and honor Garvey's enduring impact on the fight for equality and justice. It would serve as a powerful symbol of reconciliation and recognition of his invaluable contributions to society.

Thank you for your consideration. We trust that you will give this matter the thoughtful attention it deserves.

Sincerely,

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