Brown v. Board: Cheryl Brown Henderson and the Legacy of the 1954 Supreme Court Case

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QUESTION AND ANSWER

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Sharing the History of *Brown v. Board of Education*

• The National Park Service manages over 420 sites that include historic buildings and cultural assets

• The NPS Brown v. Board of Education National Historic Site: Topeka, Kansas

• New federal legislation provides an opportunity for the public to learn about the stories of all four court cases and those communities

• The Brown v. Board of Education National Historic Site Expansion Act:
  – Expands the Topeka, KS site to include sites in South Carolina
  – Establishes affiliated areas in Virginia, Delaware, and Washington D.C. communities
What are National Park Service (NPS) Affiliated Areas?

- Approximately 15 types of NPS designations
- Currently 25 NPS Affiliated Areas
- Advantages to this designation:
  - Retaining private ownership
  - Management plans and cooperative agreements allow for flexibility
  - Does not increase NPS deferred maintenance backlog
  - Availability of technical and financial assistance, as well as federal appropriations
Brown v. Board of Education National Historic Site Expansion Act

• H.R. 920: Introduced in the House of Representatives by Rep. Clyburn (D-SC)

• S. 270: Introduced in the Senate by Senator Coons (D-DE)

• 100% participation by House and Senate offices representing site locations

• The path forward…
Call to Action

• Visit savingplaces.org/brown-v-boe to ask your elected officials to support the Brown v. Board of Education National Historic Site Expansion Act.

• Email brownvboe@savingplaces.org if your national, DC, VA, DE, SC, or KS organization would like to join our sign-on letter to Congress.

• Follow the National Trust’s website and social media for future opportunities to learn and get involved
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• 2021 Fitch Colloquium
  The Art of Preservation: Engaging and Amplifying Underrepresented Heritage
  February 19, 2021, 12-5:15pm EST

• The Tidal Basin in Context: Planning for Environmental Change
  March 3, 2021, 5:30 pm EST

• Historic Preservation Advocacy Requests in the 117th Congress
  March 4, 2021, 3pm EST
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