

May 28, 1994

Congressional Black Caucus  
Washington, D.C.

Attn: Kevin Parker

I write to formally request the presence of a member from the Congressional Black Caucus at the 116th Emancipation Celebration in Nicodemus, Kansas on Saturday, July 30, 1994.

We are currently under congressional legislative nomination for National Park status and feel that with our proposed National Park status that there should be some congressional representation at our Celebration in July. We are expecting Jerry Belson, African American superintendent of Yosemite National Park and former Superintendent at Martin Luther King National Site, as one of the guest speakers. We are also expecting Senators Dole and or Kassabaum, from Kansas.

Nicodemus is an all African American town, the only one still in existence today west of the Mississippi River that represents the African American experience in the western frontier during the 1870's. It is an all African American pioneer town.

For a copy of the Feasibility Study that was completed by the National Park Service, please contact Senator Dole's office of Sandra Washington, National Park Service regional office in Omaha, Nebraska.

Please let us know who can come and represent the Congressional Black Caucus.

I look forward to hearing from you soon. I will follow up this fax with a hard copy and additional information that will be mailed to you.

Sincerely,

Angela Bates,  
President