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PROPOSAL FOR A MARCH/RALLY FOR END OF VIOLENCE AMONG AFRICANS BY

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Since the very beginning of the terrible violence going on within the African political community, I have been pleading and proposing that only the collective determination and action of the African community, represented by the top African leadership of political, civici and religious bodies, can begin the reconciliation necessary, among African people, which shall lead

to the final end of this fractricide.

We must mobilize the COLLECTIVE LEADERSHIP of the African community, and the CULTURE of the African people, towards ending

this violence.

I am suggesting the staging of an event, around which we should focus, mobilize, and organize, the attention and emotions and minds of our people, in a way similar to the manmer in which the emotions, minds, and attention of our people were focussed, mobilized, and organized around the release of Dr. Mandela from prison on that entire day lin 1990. That focus of the Press and statements ignited and mobilized the imagination, emotions, and

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