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**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** All Members of the House of Representatives

**From:** Representative Harold James

**Date:** September 26, 2012

**Subject:** **Resolution Honoring the National Black Caucus of State Legislators (NBSCL) and the National Black Police Association (NBPA)**

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In the near future, I will introduce a resolution recognizing the important working relationship between the National Black Caucus of State Legislators (NBSCL) and the National Black Police Association (NBPA).

The National Black Caucus of State Legislators is comprised of over 600 African American state legislators and representatives from over 120 corporations and labor unions across the country. The organization serves as a national network and clearinghouse for the discussion, dissemination, and exchange of ideas and information among African American state legislators and their staffs. Furthermore, NBSCL provides research, training, and educational services which help to improve the effectiveness and quality of African American state legislators and their staff.

The National Black Police Association, founded in 1972, is a nationwide organization of African American Police Associations dedicated to the promotion of justice, fairness, and effectiveness in law enforcement. The organization serves as an advocate for minority police officers and establishes a national network for the training and education of all police officers and others interested in law enforcement. In addition, NBPA serves as a mechanism to recruit minority police officers on a national scale and works toward police reform in order to eliminate police corruption, police brutality and racial discrimination.

These two vital organizations should be recognized and honored for their committed working relationship in hopes of helping to improve their communities. Therefore, I urge all members to join me in co-sponsoring this resolution. I will be introducing this resolution on October 3. Please contact Debbie Wegert in my Harrisburg office at 717-783-1792 or e-mail [DWegert@pahouse.net](mailto:DWegert@pahouse.net).