

September 21, 2018

Dr. Ken Moore Mayor of Franklin Franklin, TN 37064

Re: A Fuller Story

Dear Mayor Moore:

Our board met last night and discussed resolution 2018-69 which is currently before the Board of Mayor and Alderman. The Heritage Foundation supports telling the complete story of the African American experience in Franklin and Williamson County. In fact, this is one of the key areas of the Heritage Foundation's Strategic Plan that was created several years ago. The recent purchase of the Lee Buckner School, and our commitment to its relocation and renovation, along with our support of the McLemore House, is evidence of our commitment to telling all aspects of the African American experience. Therefore, our board voted to endorse the concepts contained in the pending resolution.

We regret that we were not approached or included in the discussions over the past year regarding these markers. However, since they are of vital importance to the City of Franklin and the greater community that the Heritage Foundation serves, our board feels strongly that we should be an active participant in the discussion of the installation of the plaques. As CEO, I look forward to being at the table during these future discussions.

Sincerely.

Bari Beasley

CEO