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It is crucial that Oregon takes the steps to right the wrongs of the past. After decades of redlining and exclusionary practices that put Black Oregonians at a stark financial disadvantage, it's time to return capital to Black communities in a meaningful way. The time for reparations is now. It is in the best interest of all Oregonians to support a bill that would address the long-enduring histories of slavery in this country. Many governments around the world have used reparations as a way to return to individuals even a fraction of the livelihoods that were stripped from them or their families. There is no reason for our government to not do the same.