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Dear Chairwoman Miller and Judiciary Committee,

I am writing to you in strong support of Assembly Bill 291 (AB 291), which seeks to revise provisions related to criminal history records and the sealing of such records. On behalf of the NAACP Chapter 1111 we recognize the profound and lasting impact that having a criminal record can have on individuals, particularly within marginalized communities. AB 291 is an essential step toward addressing these challenges and creating a pathway to opportunity for those who have been impacted by the justice system.

This bill ensures that records related to dismissed charges, acquittals, and declined prosecutions are sealed without unnecessary barriers. It will help individuals reclaim their dignity, livelihoods, and futures. For many in our community, a criminal record—regardless of the outcome of the case—can hinder access to employment, housing, education, and other critical resources. By making it easier to seal these records, AB 291 will give individuals who have been through the justice system a real chance to rebuild their lives and contribute positively to society.

At NAACP, we are deeply committed to empowering underserved communities, and we believe this bill will have a meaningful impact on those who have been unjustly burdened by their pasts. Sealing criminal history records will not only assist in reintegration into the workforce but also reduce the stigma that disproportionately affects Black and Brown individuals, many of whom are often unfairly caught in a cycle of systemic inequity.

We are confident that AB 291 will provide a crucial avenue for healing and progress, and we strongly urge you to support its passage. This bill aligns with our shared values of justice, equity, and opportunity, and it is a significant step toward improving the lives of countless individuals and families in Nevada.

Thank you for your consideration, and for your continued work on behalf of our communities.

Sincerely,
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