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**Detroit Branch NAACP Commends National NAACP President Ben Jealous for  
His Service to Organization**

**DETROIT** -- The Detroit Branch NAACP commends President Ben Jealous for his years of service and dedication in the advocacy for social justice and equality as head of the nation's oldest civil rights organization. Ben became president of our organization at a very pivotal point in our nation's history. Under his leadership our membership numbers have increased. We have expanded our online and digital presence and we have continued advocacy around our core issues. Among them Voting Rights, Education and economic access to name only a few. We are also pleased with the work done under Jealous' tenure that led to states such as Maryland removing the death penalty from their law books. Ben Jealous is one of our nation's bright, young and passionate leaders. We would like to extend to both Ben and his family well wishes and our sincere prayers for his future endeavors. We hope that his example will inspire others to accept the challenge of leading by serving.

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