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**National Tea Party Federation calls on CBC to help settle 'Racism' charges
centered around Capitol Hill Health Care rally**

*Requests turnover of "all relevant information"
Singles out Congressman Carson's statements on use of 'N-word'*

April 27, 2010 - The National Tea Party Federation announced that it has sent an open letter requesting all relevant information be provided to the NTPF that documents the alleged racial epithets hurled at members of the Congressional Black Caucus.

David Webb, Co-founder of TeaParty365 and a founding member of the National Tea Party Federation stated, "The continued use of the racism narrative to describe the Tea Party movement is both unfair and offensive. Our effort is to clear the reputation of the Tea Party movement during the Washington DC rally by asking for the cooperation of Congressmen Lewis and Carson. We believe this approach will allow the National Tea Party Federation to address those allegations appropriately, should they prove true."

The National Tea Party Federation letter to Congresswoman Lee requests assistance in turning over all relevant documentation to the NTPF for review. Additionally, the NTPF has agreed to the reciprocal release of its own documentation related to this event. The three-page letter was sent to the CBC offices at the Rayburn Building by express delivery service and is posted at <http://www.thenationalteapartyfederation.com/pressroom.html>.

Jamie Radtke, President of the Richmond Tea Party and a founding member of the National Tea Party Federation, said, "We need to respectfully and deliberately resolve this issue. We will not tolerate the kind of behavior that has been alleged. We are hopeful that the Congressional Black Caucus will assist in our efforts and respond accordingly."

Mark A. Skoda, Chairman of The Memphis TEA Party and a founding member of the National Tea Party Federation, commented, "It is regrettable that this allegation has not been dealt with officially. The Tea Party movement is one of honor and integrity. We will uphold this standard by identifying the perpetrator, should the allegations prove true.

"Recently, Congressman Steve Cohen, of the 9th District in Memphis, has perpetuated an unfounded racism narrative during a radio interview," continued Skoda. "We find this deeply

disturbing, especially in light of the fact that no empirical evidence has been produced documenting the allegations. We hope the Congressional Black Caucus shares our desire to get to the bottom of this incident."

For further information or to register and participate in the National Tea Party Federation, log on to www.thenationalteapartyfederation.com.

About the National Tea Party Federation (NTPF):

The Federation is a broad coalition of national and regional Tea Party groups committed to improving communications between local, regional, and national tea party organizations. Our purpose is to facilitate and support clarity of message, rapid response to media misinformation, and to continue to collaborate and promote the movement's core principles of Fiscal Responsibility, Constitutionally Limited Government, and Free Markets.

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