



**BLACK FARMERS
AND
AGRICULTURALISTS
ASSOCIATION, INC.**

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The Honorable Charles Grassley, Chairman
Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
135 Hart Senate Office Building
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The Honorable Dianne Feinstein, Ranking Member
Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
331 Hart Senate Office Building
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Dear Chairman Grassley and Ranking Member Feinstein:

The Black Farmers and Agriculturalists Association represents seventeen thousand African American farmers across America. Since 1968, when the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. planned the Poor People's Campaign, we have been fighting to preserve and advance Black agriculture. We are happy to advise you that our members will be informing the Committee that Judge Brett Kavanaugh would make an excellent Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States.

In October of 2017 Judge Kavanaugh rendered a decision in favor of Black farmers on the merits of the evidence. We know all too well the challenges and inequalities that Black farmers and 1890 Land-Grant Universities (HBCUs) still face today. Black Farmers are entrepreneurs and we, like other Black owned businesses, still face a lack of access to capital and markets.

During Judge Kavanaugh's tenure he was prepared, attentive and had command of the facts. If confirmed, these are the traits that Judge Brett Kavanaugh would bring to the bench as an Associate Justice.

Sincerely,

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