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Hi Supervisors,

With the State's budget problems and inability to account for major chunks of spending, I am shocked that you would support redistributing our taxpayer dollars in this way. Are we going to spend more money on just one subset of persons and is this not discrimination as bad as the stuff it is supposed to correct?

The agenda also says "government institutions at all levels continued to enforce segregation and discriminatory practices..." Well, if government is like that, maybe we should abolish it. The agenda does not say anything about what we, the taxpayers, are personally doing to deserve this.

As an example, such government practices as putting Artificial Intelligence streetlights just in minority or poor neighborhoods to spy on the people there are a big part of the problem. I also wonder if this is part of a government scheme to pit people against people.

I know the reparations thing is one of the bills. Not sure about the other 13. Did you read them all, and why are they not mentioned in the documentation?

One major issue I have with this is that the resolution says "WHEREAS, California's legacy of slavery and racial discrimination continues to perpetuate certain systemic injustices towards African Americans." You could say that about pretty much anyone who looks or talks differently: Chinese, Japanese, Mexican, Indian, disabled, and on and on – probably the whole alphabet, maybe more.

I am really offended by this. I would like an answer now. Why Just African Americans?

Regards,

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