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Show Your Outrage!

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Trayvon!*



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**On February 26**, one year after the murder of Trayvon Martin, we must return to the streets, wear hoodies and act in other ways to show that we refuse to accept the bulls-eye that has been placed on the backs of Black youth. Gather your friends, neighbors and co-workers, and take pictures of what you do. Send your plans for the day, and your photos of it, to the Stop Mass Incarceration Network and spread them on social media.

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supposedly whistling at a white woman. Last November, Jordan Davis was gunned down by a white man who felt Jordan's music was too loud. The criminalization of our youth is why hundreds of mostly Black and Latino people, and most of them unarmed and innocent are killed by police every year! And it is why the U.S. warehouses 2.4 million people in prison—more than any other country.

**On February 26**, we must mark the murder of Trayvon by wearing hoodies, by gathering in appropriate places and demonstrating our defiance and our determination to refuse to accept this mistreatment. Gather coming out of school, gather in your neighborhoods, take pictures of yourself and your friends and spread them everywhere.

**We have to act in this way.** If we don't, the courts could work like the cops did on the night Trayvon was murdered, by letting Zimmerman walk free again. And the authorities will continue to give a green light to racist vigilantes and killer cops to brutalize and murder our youth.

**But if we do act in this way**, it will show we refuse to accept in silence a declaration of open season on Black youth. It will say NO MORE to authorities who criminalize our youth. It will open the eyes of those who don't experience this mistreatment to what's really going on. And it will give heart to all those who live this injustice and hate it. When we pour into the streets and act in other ways with defiance and determination on Feb 26, we will be contributing to ending these outrages once and for all.

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