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State Senator Kwame Raoul
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Senator Raoul:

On Monday, October 26, 2009, I filed my nominating petitions to challenge you for the state Senate seat representing the 13th Legislative District. It is my belief that the residents of the 13th District, who have not had the benefit of a contested democratic primary election for that seat in well over a decade, deserve to hear from those individuals who are asking for their vote.

The purpose of this letter is to formally challenge you to a series of no fewer than three debates throughout this district. Because of its unique geography, I believe we owe it to all potential voters to debate throughout the District. Of course, we can discuss appropriate dates, venues and moderators in the very near future, but I believe that it is imperative that we immediately and publicly agree in principle that these debates should be held to help voters make an informed decision beyond web sites and literature pieces.

Please contact me before the end of the week regarding your acceptance or rejection of my invitation to debate. While details can be worked out between ourselves and our respective campaign staffs, I want to begin planning these immediately as our residents have, for too long, been unable to fully participate in a democratic process that provides a choice in candidates for this seat.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,



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CC: Various Media Outlets