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CONGRESSIONAL BLACK CAUCUS ANNOUNCES AGENDA FOR HOUSING BRAINTRUST/WORKSHOP

WASHINGTON, D.C. ... Congressman Parren J. Mitchell (D-Md.) has announced the agenda for the Housing Braintrust/Workshop during the Tenth Annual Congressional Black Caucus Legislative Weekend, September 26-28, 1980. The Braintrust/Workshop will convene on Friday, September 26, 1980 in Room 2128 Rayburn House Office Building at 10:30 a.m. The panel will include senior housing officials from the Carter Administration.

Congressman Mitchell, Chairman of the CBC Housing Braintrust, said the workshop will be the last in a series of sessions held by the Braintrust during the 96th Congress. The focus of this year's legislative workshop will concentrate on the implications of major housing policy changes in the assisted housing, community development, and fair housing programs. Emphasizing the importance of this workshop, Mitchell said, "To have a substantial impact on major policy housing issues for 1981, we Blacks must act now; before they are presented by the next Administration and the 97th Congress."

Mitchell's Housing Braintrust will also advocate a letter campaign, in opposition to the House's adoption of the newly proposed middle-income multi-family housing program. The program would reduce the level of housing assistance funds for low-income persons.

Originating in 1979, the Housing Braintrust/Workshop is one of several workshops to be held during the Annual CBC Legislative Weekend. Others include: Health, Criminal Justice, Education, Voter Participation/Network Development, Rural Issues and Science and Technology.