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Dear USPS:

I believe that for your stamps Maya Angelou should be on it for Black History Month. She is an inspiring woman who touches people’s hearts. Her stories and life events can relate to anyone in our world. Her words are sweet like rain but can be as dark as the night. When you are asking why, why not?

Certainly you have must of read one of her stories like *I Know Why The Caged Bird Sings*. Is it because that beautiful bird is climbing out to our hearts and filling us up with her emotion? She has inspired many authors or future authors to grow into the grandeur. I know she has. She is by far the most important person in African American history perched next to Martin Luther King Jr.

I would like to reference a few of her quotes. “For Africa to me... is more than a glamorous fact. It is a historical truth. No man can know where he is going unless he knows exactly where he has been and exactly how he arrived at his present place.” “How important it is for us to recognize and celebrate our heroes and she-roes! “I believe that every person is born with talent.” She is telling us follow our dreams. We should make her proud by honoring her with her on the stamp!

Please put her on the stamp! She is a great person. A writer, poet and actor she is the greatest she-roes out there. She has touched our souls and hearts and changed our minds. She is great and her life experiences show us not everything in this world is good but in the darkness there is always, always a light. Maya Angelou is our shining star.

If you put her on the stamp maybe, just maybe people will see her in my eyes and cry the tears that Maya Angelou may have cried. She is our voice. God has given us a gift. Let’s praise and rejoice it. All people could recognize all I am asking is that Maya Angelou’s work.

She belongs on the stamp. You may think why should I? My letter does not convince you. There is no point she is not great. After you read this letter and ponder over this letter. In your head why why why. Well, why not?

Sincerely,

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