## Social Critic Glenn Loury to Speak at Tulane University

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Distinguished economist and social critic Glenn C. Loury will speak at Tulane University on Thursday, Jan. 21 at 4 p.m. in Room 212 of the Lavin-Bernick Center as part of the Yates Lecture series sponsored by the Murphy Institute. Loury"s address, "Obama Is No King: On the Fracturing of the Black Prophetic Tradition," is free and open to the public.

A distinguished economist at Brown University, Loury has contributed to a variety of areas in applied microeconomic theory: welfare economics, game theory, industrial organization, natural resource economics, and the economics of income distribution.

In addition, Loury is a widely-recognized social critic and award-winning writer. Loury is the author of The Anatomy of Racial Inequality and One by One, From the Inside Out: Essays and Reviews on Race and Responsibility in America, for which he won the American Book Award. His over 200 essays and reviews on racial inequality and social policy have appeared in dozens of influential journals of public affairs in the U.S. and abroad.

Loury is also a frequent commentator on national radio and television, and an advisor on social issues to business and political leaders throughout the country. He is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, was for many years a contributing editor at *The New Republic*, and currently serves on the editorial advisory board of *The American Interest*.

The Mary C. Parker Yates Lecture, endowed in 1996 by Murphy Institute alumna Rebecca Yates ("89) Velander in memory of her mother, is the Murphy Institute"s major public academic event. Designed to promote university-wide discussion of issues of current concern, the annual Yates Lecture brings leading thinkers and public figures to the Tulane campus. For more information, contact Margaret Keenan at 504-862-3236 or <u>mkeenan@tulane.edu</u>.