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WE SHALL REMAIN: America Through Native Eyes Episode 3: Trail of Tears (72minutes)

Depiction of "The Trail Where They Cried" aka "the Trail of Tears." (1838-1839)

In 1838 and 1839, as part of Andrew Jackson's Indian removal policy, the Cherokee nation was forced to give up its lands east of the Mississippi River and to migrate to an area in present-day Oklahoma. The Cherokee people called this journey the "Trail Where They Cried," because of its devastating effects. They faced hunger, disease, and exhaustion on the forced march. Over 4,000 out of 15,000 of the Cherokees died.

Trial of Tears documentary explores the resolve, resilience and the eventual futile effort of the Cherokee people, who resisted removal from their homelands in the Southeast in every way they knew; assimilation, adopting a European-style government and legal system, accepting Christianity, and even taking their case all the way to the United States Supreme Court.

DATE: April 2, 2010

PLACE: 28 East 35th St., NYC

A-RT MEETING: 6:15 – 6:45 P.M.

VIEWING: 7:00 P.M.

DIALOGUE: Follows viewing

SNACKS: Popcorn and Pretzels FACILITATOR: Maureen Allen Holder

Sponsor: Anti-Racism Team Chair: M. A. Holder March, 2010