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Experts Available to Comment on Redlining & Momentum in the Primaries

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Happy Valentine's Day from our team to yours. We'd *love* to connect you with experts for your coverage on the race for the Democratic nomination.

Michael Bloomberg on Redlining
The AP reported yesterday that Michael Bloomberg blamed the end of redlining as the reason for the 2008 economic collapse.

University of Richmond's Digital Scholarship Lab's Mapping Inequality project is the largest collection of maps focused on the discriminatory housing practice. Digital Scholarship Lab Director Rob Nelson is available to discuss redlining and its impact.

Voter momentum during primary season
In a new piece this week with **The Conversation**, political science professors Ernest McGowen and Dan Palazzolo explain their research on the correlation between media coverage and the "momentum" often referenced by political candidates.

"When a candidate exceeds expectations in a primary or caucus, the media responds with favorable coverage, which in turn influences polls, donations and volunteers. Interestingly, the momentum of the insurgent has a stronger effect on media coverage than that of the front-runner."

McGowen and Palazzolo can discuss what it means for a candidate to have momentum, and how momentum affects the media's coverage of the Democratic candidates in 2020.

Contact us, visit our newsroom, and follow us on Twitter to connect with these and other experts.

Best,
The University of Richmond Media Relations Team