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Chapter 8 was about all blacks coming together and deciding to start a bus boycott to convince the government to take segregated laws off from public buses. This quote and the chapter are also related because chapter eight was about first time when blacks came together as a collective group to fight for what they believed in. “The buses would be a giant car pool consisting of ordinary people’s automobiles. Car owners were asked to lend their vehicles to the MIA carpool.” This can be supported by chapter eight because this was a sacrifice that blacks made to help get rid of a segregation law. “By late January, the City Lines bus company was losing 3,200 dollars a day.” This shows that all blacks agreed to this plan of not taking the bus.

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In chapter 8, Claudette Colvin connected the line, “It was the first of millions and millions of steps to come.  The Montgomery bus boycott was born.” (Claudette, page 69) Claudette connected that to chapter 8 because it goes more into detail about what happened in the Montgomery bus boycott and what took place during that time. “The City Lines bus company declared the proposed changes illegal and said that, unfortunately their hands were tied.” (Claudette,73) Claudette is trying to show that one out of the millions steps that were causing the bus boycott to begin. One of the steps that Claudette did to have the bus boycott begin.  This goes more into depth of the line on page 69 and the many steps leading up to the bus boycott being born. “Gray, like the NAACP lawyers in New York who were closely following the boycott was tired of playing defense.” (Claudette ,81) The lawyers aren't willing to helping Claudette Colvin by sitting down and not doing much action. They want to get up and help her, take more action instead of speaking on the situation and the Montgomery bus boycott.

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Chapter 8 supports these sentences by going into further detail on how black people collective came together and ended segregation. In addition, the author explains what alternatives black people took instead of taking the bus. For example, black people used carpooling as an alternative. People’s “ordinary automobiles” would lend “their vehicles to the MIA carpool so that other people could drive them around town.” (Hoose, 75) Chapter 8 supports page 69 because the author is going into further what steps black people took to collectively end segregation. In addition, black people created a “wartime military transport system, moving tens of thousands of maids and yard men and clerks and students around Montgomery’s far-flung neighborhoods every day.” (Hoose, 74)

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In chapter 8 Howard Hoose talks about the bus boycott and the steps black people took to achieve it. Chapter 8 supports these sentences because it talks a lot about the obstacles black people faced, how they overcame them, and the many steps that led to the success of the boycott. One step that was taken by the Montgomery Improvement Association, MIA, was a car pooling system. The plan for the carpooling system was to be, “a giant carpool consisting of ordinary people’s car.” (75, Hoose)

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Chapter 8 of Claudette Colvin supports the quote on page 69 because it tells the reader how the Montgomery bus boycott started, and the steps they had to take to get around not taking buses.  It was going to take a long time to reach their goal, ¨ The city lines bus company declared it was illegal. ¨ The city lines didn't want to budge so it was going to take many steps to reach their goal of equality (73 Claudette Colvin). That was when the boycott started, they knew they would have to take many steps to reach their goal.  People had to start coming together as one to do this boycott and get around difficulties, ¨Most of the rides would be free¨ (75 Claudette Colvin). The taxi drivers had to let rides be free and come together as a community because a lot of people couldn't take buses.  Chapter 8 deepens the meaning of the quote on chapter 7, chapter 8 explains the beginning of the boycott and the steps people of color had to take to successfully meet their goal.

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Chapter 8 supports this response by showing the reader how there were many people participating in the bus boycott.  Also, chapter 8 relates to the quote because it lists the “steps” that they took to make the bus boycott happen. Chapter 8 supports the quote by showing the reader that there were many people that participated in the boycott.  This relates to the part when the quote says, “million steps to come.” In the text *Claudette Colvin,* the author shows the reader this by saying, “the MIA designed an alternative to the buses on the scale of a wartime military transport system, moving tens of thousands of maids and yard men and clerks and students.”  The author is explaining that the “millions of steps to come” were literally tens of thousands of people going out of their way to get equality with the bus boycott.

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In chapter 8 there is many examples of ways they are taking many steps towards the boycott and actual steps for the boycott. They use examples in the text to help prove the quote on page 69. In the text it claims, “Here’s how it worked: a maid needing to get across town to her white employer’s home would walk to the morning station nearest her home and wait for a ride. After work she would walk to the nearest night station to be picked up and driven….” (Phillip Hoose.) They were all coming together and trying to continue the boycott and not go on the bus. They were using communication skills to help them stand what they believe in. They also were taking a step to a many steps to work and back to not get on the buses. On page 75 the caption states, “The third month of the boycott and another day of walking” (Phillip Hoose.) Saying literally that they were taking millions of actual steps for the boycott.

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Chapter 8 supports the sentences because in chapter 8 it is talking about how people started to not take the bus boycotting the transportation. Millions of people walking had started a boycott throughout Montgomery taking millions of steps to end of segregation on the busses. The MIA were asking people to led put their cars in a car pool so that more people could use the cars to get to where they need to be. There was a plan among the boycotters so when maids were going to their employers house they would either walk or get picked up by someone, and dropped off and whenever they were on their way home someone would drop them off close and the would walk inevitably ignoring the buses.

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Chapter 8 supports these sentences by elaborating on how the bus boycott came to be and the “million” steps taken, like the MIA designing and managing the whole boycott, and the black people taking car pools instead of taking the bus. Initially, the bus boycott was supposed to be about peacefully depriving the bus drivers of their pay. It was to integrate the buses. Claudette Colvin took the step herself of not getting on the bus. She mostly “rode with [her]

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Chapter 8 supports these sentences by explaining why Fred Gray, and the NAACP lawyers, wants to sue the city of Montgomery and the state of Alabama for the reasoning that having public places, like schools, being separate but equal would be unconstitutional. On page 81 it’s discussed that “the NAACP lawyers in New York who were closely following the boycott, was tired of playing defense.” **(Hoose, 81)** Most people who were supporting

 Chapter 8 supports these sentences by explaining how this boycott had worked because people started to work together. Since people were boycotting the buses, the new ‘buses’ would be a giant car pool consisting of ordinary people’s automobiles.” **(Hoose, 75)** Having African-Americans join together during a time where they’re being pulled apart and segregated against makes this successful and the first of millions of steps to put a stop to segregation. Having a group of people who all share the same pain would easily put a stop to what's actually hurting them, in this case it was segregation.

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In chapter 8 they’re many supportive pieces of evidence that have meanings and ways to connect back too “It was the first of millions and millions of steps to come. The Montgomery bus boycott was born.”  In chapter 8 they mainly discuss about how they don't get on busses anymore most of them just bought cars, some of them would just walk they wouldn't take the bus. On page 75 the author quotes “Here’s how it worked: a maid needling to get across town to her white employer’s home would walk to the morning station nearest her home and wait for a ride.”

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Chapter 8 of “Claudette Colvin” supports these sentences by explaining what and how the Montgomery Bus Boycott not only affected bus drivers that were white and Bus lines, but they also took millions of steps to fight and protest for their rights as people of color. For example, black people would carpool with each other as a form of transportation for them to drive around in the city. The author of “Claudette Colvin”, Phillip Hoose, states a quote that says, “By late January, the City Line bus company was losing $3,200 a day. They had been forced to lay off drivers and shut down several bus routes just to stay in business.” The recently stated quote is showing the effect that the Montgomery Bus Boycott had on bus companies and drivers. “Coached by leaders of Baton Rouges’ bus boycott of 1953, the Montgomery Improvement Association (MIA) designed an alternative to the buses on the scale of a wartime military transport system, tens of thousands of maids and yard men and clerks and students.”

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Chapter 8 supports these sentences because it shows how there was a lot of bus boycott happening in Montgomery. Chapter 8 also explains how many black folks were getting arrested from the busses in Montgomery. The bus boycott was something that impacted many blacks. They had to do things like give away things owned by them.

Chapter 8 supports the Montgomery bus boycott because it explains how many blacks were avoiding the busses in Montgomery and how the black folks were also trying to take as many steps as they could just so that they don’t get on the busses in Montgomery. The author, Phillip Hoose, states that, “a maid needing to get across town,” would instead of using the busses, blacks would use a different form of transportation such as the cars that they own. What Phillip Hoose is trying to get at in his writing is that the bus boycotts caused many blacks to not use the buses when they are trying to get around - and that black folks would take different steps into trying to not get into the busses of Montgomery, and to use cars to get around.

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Chapter 8 was about how the boycott took effect which turned Montgomery around. One of the most important things that took place was Montgomery Improvement Association (MIA). MIA was a transportation vehicle that dropped people off to a station, nearest to their stop. People in Montgomery that had vehicles lent their vehicles (absolutely voluntary) to people that don’t have vehicles to get to and back from work.

The quote “It was the first of millions and millions of steps to come”, it relates back to chapter 8 by how African Americans came together as one and made many sacrifices to get the boycott and MIA be successful. Page 75 says, “car owners were asked to lend their vehicles to the MIA carpool so that other people can drive them around town.” The contribution of cars, which had 200 people that volunteered, made the MIA an absolute success. People was able to get to and back from work, and other places such as the grocery, laundry, etc. Page 75 relates back to the quote of how “It was the first of millions and millions of steps to come” when everyone contributed to the whole boycott.