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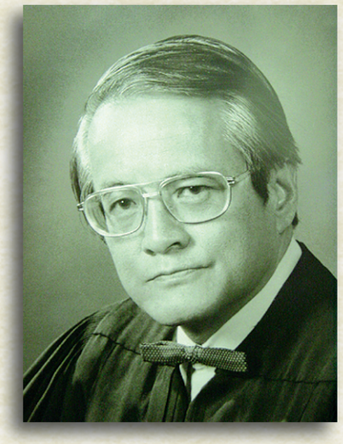
2005 Republican Freedom Calendar

December 26, 1978 – Death of Dick Yin Wong, appointed by President Gerald Ford as first Asian-American to serve as a judge on a U.S. District Court



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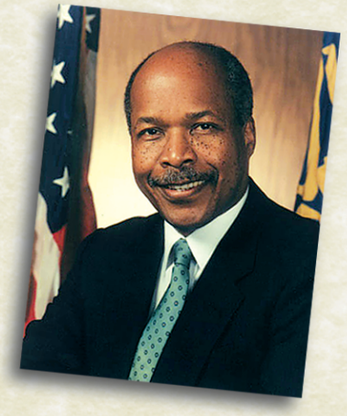

December 22, 1988 – African-American Republican Louis Sullivan nominated by President George H. W. Bush as Secretary of Health and Human Services

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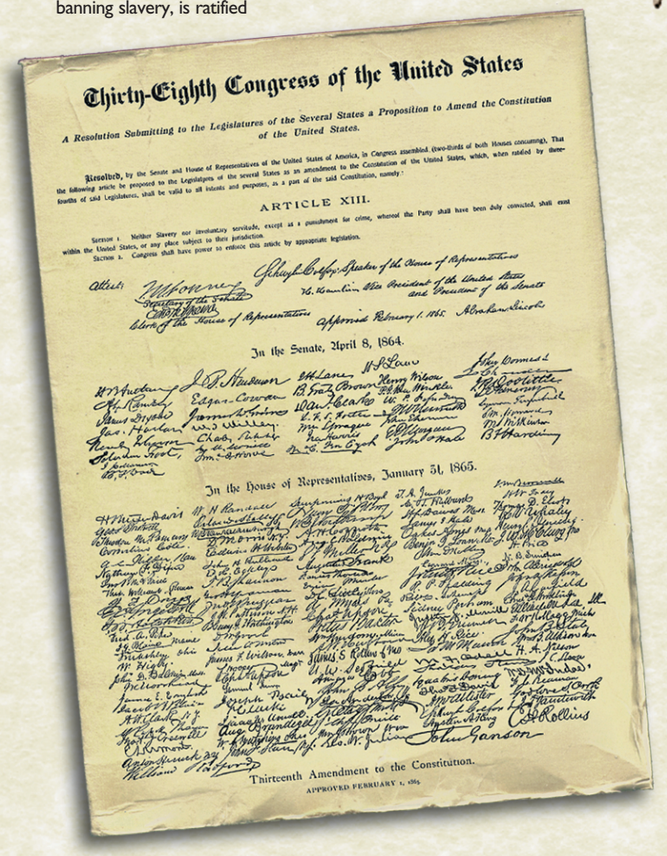

Thirty-Eighth Congress of the United States

A Resolution Submitting to the Legislatures of the Several States a Proposition to Amend the Constitution of the United States.

Resolved, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled (two-thirds of both Houses concurring), That the following article be proposed to the Legislatures of the several States as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which, when ratified by three-fourths of said Legislatures, shall be valid to all intents and purposes, as a part of the said Constitution, namely:

ARTICLE XIII.

SECTION 1. Neither Slavery nor involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime, whereof the Party shall have been duly convicted, shall exist within the United States, or any place subject to their jurisdiction.

SECTION 2. Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

Attest: [signature] Secretary of the Senate

[signature] Clerk of the House of Representatives

Schuyler Colfax, Speaker of the House of Representatives

H. Hamlin Vice President of the United States and President of the Senate

Approved February 1, 1865. Abraham Lincoln

In the Senate, April 8, 1864.

In the House of Representatives, January 31, 1865.

Thirteenth Amendment to the Constitution.

APPROVED FEBRUARY 1, 1865

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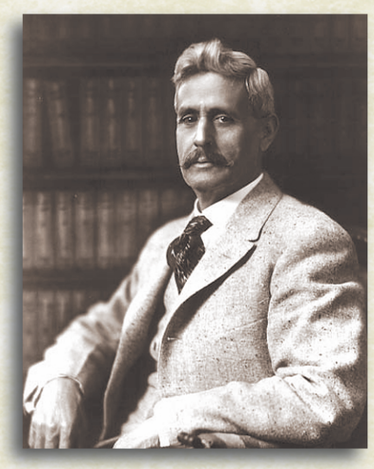

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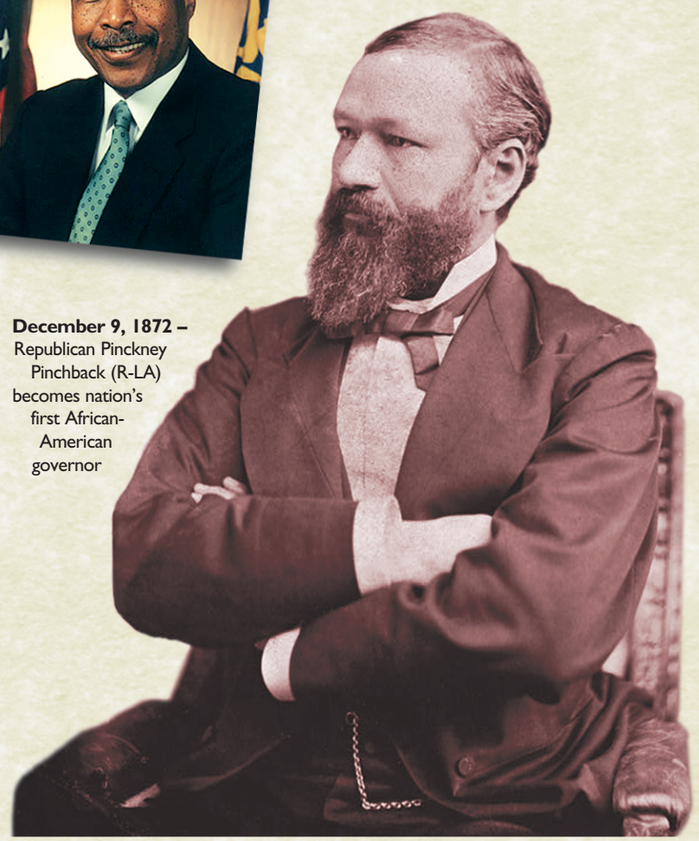

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4 *December 4, 1886 –* Death of Republican George Ruffin, first African-American graduate of Harvard Law School and first African-American state judge in the North	5 *December 5, 2000 –* Kay Bailey Hutchison (R-TX) becomes first woman elected to U.S. Senate Leadership	6 *December 6, 1865 –* Republican Party's 13th Amendment, banning slavery, is ratified	7 *December 7, 1928 –* Republican Octaviano Larrazolo of New Mexico becomes first Hispanic to serve in U.S. Senate	8 *December 8, 1953 –* Eisenhower administration Asst. Attorney General Lee Rankin argues for plaintiffs in *Brown v. Board of Education;* 1924 Democratic presidential candidate John W. Davis argues in favor of "separate but equal"	9 *December 9, 1872 –* Republican Pinckney Pinchback (R-LA) becomes nation's first African-American governor	10 *December 10, 1869 –* Republican Gov. John Campbell of Wyoming Territory signs first-in-nation law granting women right to vote and to hold public office
11 *December 11, 1895 –* African-American Republican and former U.S. Rep. Thomas Miller (R-SC) denounces new state constitution written to disenfranchise African-Americans	12 *December 12, 2003 –* President George W. Bush nominates African-American Alphonso Jackson as U.S. Secretary of Housing and Urban Development	13 *December 13, 2001 –* "No Child Left Behind" Act to improve public education for all children passes House; signed into law by President George W. Bush	14 *December 14, 1829 –* Birth of African-American Republican John Langston; served as diplomat in four Republican administrations, and in U.S. House (R-VA)	15 *December 15, 2000 –* President-elect George W. Bush nominates Colin Powell as first African-American Secretary of State	16 *December 16, 2003 –* President George W. Bush signs law creating National Museum of African American History and Culture	17 *December 17, 2000 –* Republican Alberto Gonzales named as first Hispanic to serve as White House Counsel by President George W. Bush
18 *December 18, 1852 –* Birth of Republican U.S. Rep. George White (R-NC), last former slave to serve in Congress; authored bill to make lynching a federal crime	19 *December 19, 1820 –* Birth of Republican activist Mary Livermore, organizer of Women's Suffrage Convention in 1868	20 *December 20, 2000 –* California Republican Ann Veneman nominated as first woman to be U.S. Secretary of Agriculture	21 *December 21, 1981 –* President Ronald Reagan establishes Task Force on Legal Equality for Women	22 *December 22, 1870 –* African-American Republican Jefferson Long becomes U.S. Representative from Georgia	23 *December 23, 1815 –* Civil rights activist and Republican diplomat Henry Garnet born into slavery in Maryland; first African-American to address U.S. Senate (1865)	24 *December 24, 1833 –* Birth of African-American Republican Joseph Corbin, Arkansas Superintendent of Education (1873-74)
25 ***Christmas Day*** *December 25, 1804 –* Birth of U.S. Rep. George Ashmun (R-MA), anti-slavery activist and Chairman of 1860 Republican National Convention which nominated Abraham Lincoln	26 *December 26, 1939 –* Birth of former U.S. Rep. Lynn Martin (R-IL), who as Vice Chair of the Republican Conference was the first Republican woman in a congressional leadership position; later served as Secretary of Labor in the administration of President George H. W. Bush	27 *December 27, 1910 –* Birth of African-American physician Aris Allen, Chairman of Maryland Republican Party and Secretary of 1980 Republican National Convention	28 *December 28, 1973 –* Banned Russian author and human rights activist Alexander Solzhenitsyn publishes *Gulag Archipelago*; President Ronald Reagan would quote his undelivered Nobel acceptance speech in national TV address to Soviet Union	29 *December 29, 1930 –* Death of Walter Cohen, African-American Republican from New Orleans; served in McKinley, Theodore Roosevelt, and Coolidge administrations	30 *December 30, 1842 –* Birth of Republican U.S. Rep. Josiah Walls, who in 1871 became Florida's first African-American in Congress	31 *December 31, 1898 –* Republican Theodore Roosevelt becomes Governor of New York; in 1900, he outlawed racial segregation in New York public schools

"Our nation's long journey towards civil rights for all our citizens—once a source of discord, now a source of pride—must continue with no backsliding or slowing down. We must and shall see that those basic laws that guarantee equal rights are preserved and, when necessary, strengthened. Our concern for equal rights for women is firm and unshakable."

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"Our commitment to fairness means that we must assure legal and economic equity for women, and eliminate, once and for all, all traces of unjust discrimination against women from the United States Code."

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"This government will meet its responsibility to help those in need. But policies that increase dependency, break up families, and destroy self-respect are not progressive; they're reactionary. Despite our strides in civil rights, blacks, Hispanics, and all minorities will not have full and equal power until they have full economic power."

Ronald Reagan
40th President of the United States

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