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African Americans Elected Alas?

These past few weeks, the eyes of America have seen African Americans run for our country. This accomplishment is one of the biggest in our fight towards freedom. This step has shown



Josiah Walls
U.S. Representative
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that we've recognized the unfairness of our society. But we need to keep fighting for the rights of those who are treated cruelly and if African Americans are elected, those rights will be set in motion. Their impact will be that of the biggest we've seen in a

decade. They will be able to further the education of African Americans, find jobs with fair pay, and be able to own land.

Freedom for All is Near

The most recent Amendments passed have been in support for freedom of African Americans, but we still ask the question: are African Americans truly free? The laws passed have given African Americans the right to vote, abolished slavery, citizenship and rights protecting them. So yes, it granted African Americans certain rights but that has not stop southerners from lynching them on the streets or giving them fair pay and jobs.

Advancements have been made towards freedom for African Americans but as a whole country have lots of work to do still. Put your votes behind the right candidates and elect them to office!

Candidates to Support

As we move towards equal rights for all races, we have to put our support behind the right people. Those who are in support of freedom and abolition. Looking

at the options most of those type of candidates will be African American or republicans. There are some such as Josiah Walls (pictured bottom left), Blanche Bruce, Robert Delarge, Jefferson Long, Joseph Rainey, and Benjamin Turner. These candidates are all in support of the way we should be living! As for president, we may have the option to vote for Horace Greeley. Although white, he is in support of a better future for all.

Reconstructing the South

Another reason to support many of the African Americans, especially down south, is to fix the mess this war has created. We need to stop lynchings and the awful treatment of African Americans. We also need to become a union again and have support from the entire country. We need to reconstruct the south!



White Man Vs Negro
