

Toward a More Perfect Union

Timeline Cards



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In 1848, Elizabeth Cady Stanton wrote the Declaration of Sentiments. The declaration was adopted by the Seneca Falls Convention for women's rights.





In 1869, Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B. Anthony formed the National Woman Suffrage Association.



In 1872, Susan B. Anthony was arrested for voting in the presidential election even though women did not yet have the right to vote.





Beginning in the 1830s, Sojourner Truth spoke out about ending slavery and giving women the right to vote.





In 1914, Mabel Ping-Hua Lee wrote that women's voices are necessary in a democracy.



In 1917, Alice Paul organized groups of women to picket at the White House in Washington, D.C., demanding the right to vote.



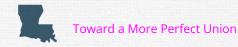


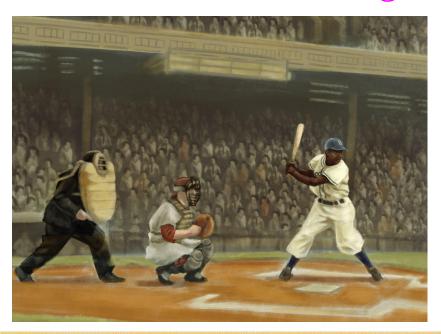
In 1920, the Nineteenth Amendment gave women the right to vote. Still, most women of color were prevented from voting.





After slavery was outlawed in the 1860s and Reconstruction ended in the 1870s, segregation laws kept African American people separated from white people.





In 1947, Jackie Robinson became the first African American athlete to play Major League Baseball.





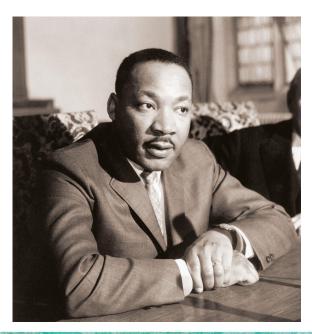
In 1955, Rosa Parks refused to give up her seat on a segregated bus. Her actions helped start the Civil Rights Movement.



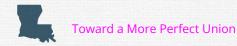


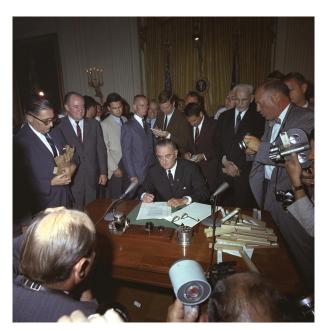
In 1960, six-year-old Ruby Bridges became the first African American child to attend an all-white elementary school in New Orleans.





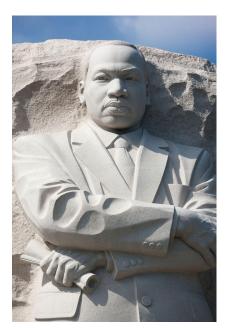
Martin Luther King Jr. was one of the leaders of the Civil Rights Movement. In 1963, he led a march on Washington, D.C.





In 1964, the Civil Rights Act ended legal segregation in the United States. A year later, the Voting Rights Act protected the right to vote.





In 1983, Congress created the Martin Luther King Jr. federal holiday.

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