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Black History Month
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I have a dream
FEBRUARY 2007 BLACK HISTORY MONTH

At the White House, Rosa Parks was honored by President Ronald Reagan a few years before her death. Parks was an African American who refused to give up her seat on a segregated bus in Montgomery, Alabama. Her actions led to the Montgomery Bus Boycott, which helped to end segregation in public transportation.

January 20, 1986, was officially declared a holiday to honor Martin Luther King Jr. It was proclaimed by President Ronald Reagan and was the first U.S. holiday to honor a person who was not an American president.

President Reagan signed a bill on November 2, 1983, which established Martin Luther King Jr. Day as a federal holiday. The day was observed on January 20, 1986, the first time it was celebrated.

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As of February 12, 2007, President George W. Bush signed into law a bill that provides tax breaks for organizations that work to combat childhood obesity. The bill, which was sponsored by Representative James Sensenbrenner (R-WI) and Senator Herb Kohl (D-WI), includes provisions that would provide tax credits for organizations that provide healthy food and exercise programs for children.

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Black History Month is observed in all 50 states of the United States. In each state, there are a variety of events and activities planned to commemorate the achievements and contributions of African Americans.

Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter.

Revealing violence for violence multiplies violence, adding deeper hurt and a night almost devoid of stars... We cannot drive that dark; only light can do that.

Life’s most persistent and urgent question is, What are you doing for others?

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