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We truly appreciate everyone's involvement.
This War on Oppression will only be won as one
mass movement.

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Our Mission Statement

The continual unification of as many organizations as possible starting at the local level and branching out to both the state of North Carolina and then the entire nation.

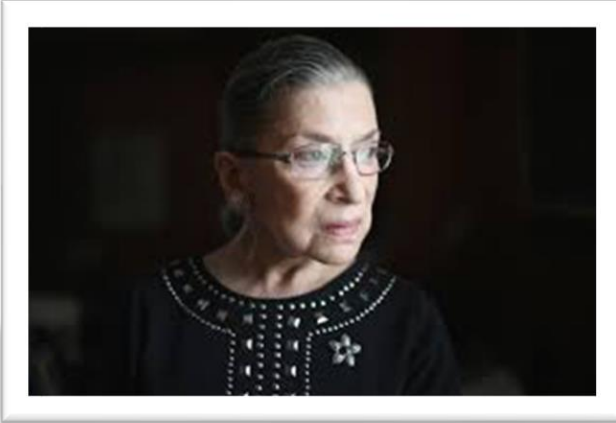
Spotlight

Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg



(March 15, 1933 – September 18, 2020)

By DonnaMarie Woodson



My heart broke and I burst into tears when I heard the news; sobbing in my husband's arms. I've spoken to so many female friends who recalled it felt like a gut punch, realizing what had just happened.

Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg had made her transition.

She's always been an incredible moral compass throughout my lifetime, and her strength and determination are legendary. A groundbreaking champion who proved that if we, as women, are not at the table, we are definitely on the menu.

Born [Joan Ruth Bader](#), she served as an [associate justice of the Supreme Court of the United States](#) from 1993 until her death. She was nominated by President Bill Clinton and was the first Jewish woman and only the second woman to serve on the Court, after [Sandra Day O'Connor](#).

Justice Ginsburg spent much of her legal career as an advocate for gender equality and women's rights, winning many arguments before the Supreme Court. She advocated as a volunteer attorney for the [American Civil Liberties Union](#) and was a member of its board of directors and one of its general counsel in the 1970s.

In 1980, President Jimmy Carter appointed her to the [U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit](#), where she served until her appointment to the Supreme Court in 1993. Between O'Connor's retirement in 2006 and the appointment of [Sonia Sotomayor](#) in 2009, she was the only female justice on the



Supreme Court. During that time, Ginsburg became more forceful with her dissents.

Ginsburg received attention in American popular culture for her passionate dissents in numerous cases, widely seen as reflecting paradigmatically liberal views of the law. She was dubbed "The Notorious R.B.G.", and she later embraced the moniker.

Ginsburg died at her home in Washington, D.C., on September 18, 2020, at the age of 87, from complications of metastatic pancreatic cancer.

Justice Ginsburg understood the importance of women fighting for representation in all fields. White men cannot be the majority rule; especially on the highest court in the land. Everyone needs a seat at the table to represent the different lives and views of all Americans and not just a few.

There will never be another Ruth Bader Ginsburg, but that doesn't mean we shouldn't always strive to uphold her humanity and sense of justice.

She will be missed, but never forgotten.



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Editorial

Illegitimacy: Political Violence and the Resurgence of the Far-Right in the USA

By

Tarik Kiley

September 26, 2020



Since the 1960's, in the USA, the Civil Rights Movement, and now Black Lives Matters protestors, more recently, have taken up the mantle of non-violent protest. Through the years, civil rights' advocates, have been protesting nonviolently, for the most

part and continue to seek to use their Constitutional right to peacefully petition the government to seek redress of grievances. While this is commendable, we seem to ignore the glaring fact that the far-right has made no such commitment to nonviolence. The far-right continues to act aggressively to pursue their political goals, and are not beyond using political violence to achieve these said goals.



Because far-right extremists are violent, they remain a threat to public safety. To put it bluntly, racists and their hatred are a threat to public safety. Because of political violence from racists and the far-right, the Federal

government and the states need to make it a priority to take hate crimes seriously. This includes reshaping the culture of policing, for example and keeping those who foment political violence from having any legitimacy.

We also have to examine how young White people are indoctrinated into racist, far-right wing ideology. The Federal government needs to do an in depth, multigenerational study on racist and hate group indoctrination.

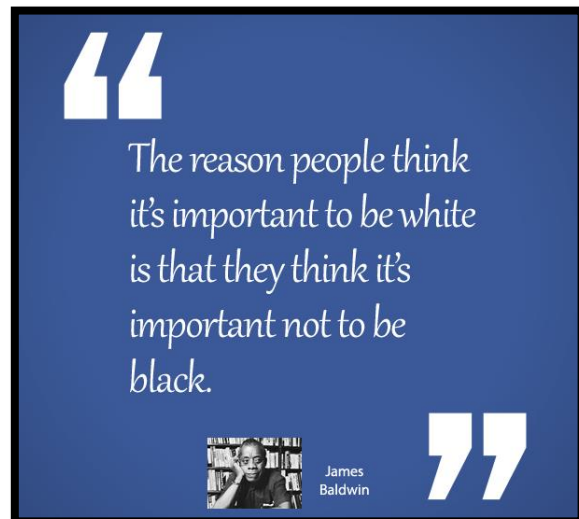
All of this is relevant here, because despite the current president's lack of conscience, the idea of morality still exists and some people still believe in it. It is a very visceral statement to condemn violence and murder. The Biblical

Ten Commandments literally say, "Thou Shall Not Kill." This translates here to mean that political violence is often simply murder. If you



cannot condemn murder, then you definitely lack conscience. This is terrible because many people look to their leaders for guidance and if your leaders lack morality and empathy, then you as a follower, will probably go down that same path of cruelty and immorality.

So, today in the 21st century, we need a renewed commitment to anti-racism on all levels of government. Federal hate crime laws need to be tougher and the conditions that exist which encourage the indoctrination of people to espouse white supremacist beliefs should be thoroughly examined.



Only when we study and come to understand the voices of those who have quite eloquently been speaking on this topic for years, and make a serious commitment to remedying the situation, only then will we be empowered to work to eliminate far-right wing political violence. Some of these voices, historically, who have spoken

include people like James Baldwin, Malcolm X, Dr. MLK, W.E.B. DuBois, Thurgood Marshall, John Lewis, Ida B. Wells, A. Philip Randolph, Julian Bond, and Stokely Carmichael. There is an almost exhaustive list of scholars who have spoken on the topic, but I stop here for sake of brevity.

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Announcements



Westside Town Hall: 2020 Election Safety and Protection

Thursday, October 1st

6:30 PM – 8:30 PM

Online Event

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMkd--opzlsGtCKW6e56mYPOAipa7zWTlav>

(Hosted by: Rep. Mary Belk, Rep. Carolyn Logan, Rep. Becky Carney, Rep. Chaz Beasley, Sen. Mujtaba Mohammed)

Wayne Goodwin Town Hall

MONDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2020 AT 7 PM – 8 PM

(Hosted by NC Democratic Party and
Wayne Goodwin)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYucOmqqzgqEtUJEnljeAkBBveGvAAPpPeo>

Announcements



Democratic Women of Mecklenburg County

October Membership Meeting

Wednesday, October 14th

6:30 pm – Zoom

Women Warriors Series

DWMC

Wednesday, October 28th

7:00 PM

Special Guests: Senator Mujtaba Mohammed

Judge Rex Marvel, Rep. Brandon Lofton,

Rep. Wesley Harris



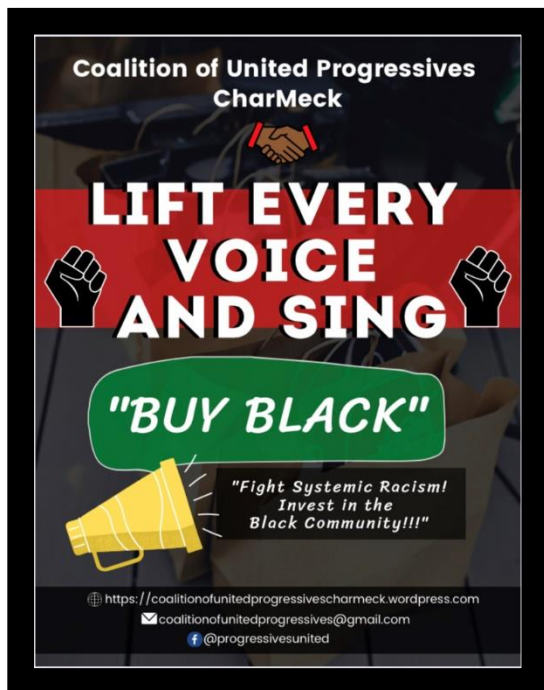
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