

# National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives



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### **National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE) Statement 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Voting Rights Act of 1965**

[Alexandria, VA] This week, the Voting Rights Act of 1965 was signed into law by President Lyndon B. Johnson. This law was and is a landmark piece of federal legislation in the United States that prohibits racial discrimination in voting. It enforced the voting rights guaranteed by the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments to the United States Constitution.

Passage of the Voting Rights Act and the Civil Rights Act were hard fought victories for African Americans and the country as a whole. The National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE) celebrates and thanks the many thousands of men and women who persevered through racism, threats, and even death to secure the many freedoms we now enjoy, especially the right to VOTE.

“The country has made a lot of progress since 1965, but the fight for justice rages on,” stated Dr. Cedric L. Alexander, NOBLE National President. “It is more relevant today than ever to achieve our mission to ensure equity in the administration of justice in the provision of public service to *all* communities, and to serve as the conscience of law enforcement by being committed to justice by action.”

#### **ABOUT NOBLE**

The National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE) serves as the conscience of law enforcement by being committed to justice by action. NOBLE represents over 4,000 members worldwide, primarily African-American chief executive officers of law enforcement agencies at federal, state, county and municipal levels, tribal and criminal justice practitioners. For more information, visit [www.noblenational.org](http://www.noblenational.org).

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