

One Minute on Black History Month

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Now almost 140 years later, we bear witness to the fruits of his labor by having 41 African-American members in the U.S. House and one African-American member in the U.S. Senate.

That's why I'm so proud to represent the First District of Iowa where in this great state we have created a legacy of diversity and our own mark in history.

Iowa is home to Lulu Johnson, the first African-American woman to receive a PhD. It is also home to twelve of the Tuskegee Airmen.

Iowa State University, my alma mater and George Washington Carver's, houses Jack Trice Stadium, the only Division 1-A football stadium to be named in honor of an African-American.

Iowa State also educated the current highest ranking African-American Health Policy Advisor in the U.S. House of Representatives, Mr. Aranthan Jones.

It's these types of accomplishments that inspire me to continue standing up for people of all backgrounds, fighting for justice, and working towards equality.

I yield the balance of my time.