



CURTIS INABINET

Former mayor of Ravenel; S.C. State Representative

Curtis Inabinet lived a life where nothing came easy. So Inabinet learned to lean on his quiet, persistent nature to get the education that would make him a leader. That meant riding his bike 17 miles to school each day. And in him grew an understanding of the simple power of showing up everyday. So when Inabinet went to work for his community as a teacher and principal, his reputation for always showing up made him the consummate fixer. It's why the voters of Ravenel elected him as the first African-American mayor and, later, sent him to Columbia to the state's House of Representatives. Ravenel got its first public water system largely because of Inabinet, who was outraged that his students, who drank from shallow, contaminated wells, were often sick. That's one of the many accomplishments of a guy who always showed up and who was always willing to fix things.

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 HISTORY CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 First issue of Ebony published in 1945. First issue of Crisis published in 1910.	2 President Ronald Reagan signed law designating the third Monday in January Martin Luther King Jr. Day in 1983.	3 South Carolina State College was established in 1896.	4 T. Elkins patented the refrigerating apparatus in 1879.
5 Walter E. Washington elected Mayor of Washington, D.C. in 1974.	6 Absalom Jones, minister, was born in 1746.	7 David Dinkins elected first Black Mayor of New York City in 1989.	8 Edward W. Brooke was elected first Black U.S. senator (R-Mass.) in 85 years in 1966.	9 Benjamin Banneker, surveyor, was born in 1731.	10 Andrew Hatcher was named associate press secretary to President John F. Kennedy, becoming the first Black press secretary in 1960.	11 Veterans Day Nat Turner, leader of a Virginia slave revolt, was hanged in 1831.
12 In 1775, General George Washington issued an order, later rescinded, which forbade recruiting officers to enlist Blacks.	13 Dwight Gooden won baseball's Cy Young Award in 1985.	14 Booker T. Washington died in 1915.	15 In 1979, the Nobel Prize in economics was awarded to Professor Arthur Lewis of Princeton.	16 "Father of the Blues," W.C. Handy, was born in Florence, Ala. in 1873.	17 Omega Psi Phi was founded on the campus of Howard University in 1911.	18 Abolitionist and orator Sojourner Truth was born in 1787.
19 Roy Campanella was named the National League MVP for the second time in 1953.	20 Garrett T. Morgan patented the traffic signal in 1923.	21 Shaw University was founded in 1865.	22 Alrutheus A. Taylor, teacher and historian, was born in 1893.	23 Thanksgiving Day J.L. Love put patents on the pencil sharpener in 1897.	24 Scott Joplin, composer, born in 1868.	25 Luther "Bill" Robinson, dancer, died in 1949.
26 Sojourner Truth, evangelist, died in 1883.	27 Richard Wright, author, died in 1960.	28 Ernie Davis became the first African American to win the Heisman Trophy in 1961.	29 Congressman Adam Clayton Powell Jr. was born in 1908.	30 Congresswoman Shirley Chisholm was born in 1924.		