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## Souls to the Polls: Make Your Vote Count!



**T**his November, we have the chance to shape our nation's future by electing leaders at the federal, state, and local levels and voting on policies that can affect our daily lives. Voting is our right, civic duty, and collective power.

**Pew Research Center** projected the number of Black eligible voters to reach **34.4 million by November 2024**. This election is about more than party lines. Every vote helps ensure our voices are heard on issues that shape our communities and country like **healthcare, education, public safety, and justice**.

While **November 5 is Election Day**, many states offer early voting and mail-in ballots. Be sure to plan ahead to ensure your vote is counted. Every vote matters, and our democracy depends on participation from all. No matter your affiliation, **VOTE** to create the change you want to see. **Let's take our souls to the polls!**

## National Gratitude Month



**I**t's **National Gratitude Month**, and what better way to express our gratitude than by acknowledging the importance of democracy and the right to vote? As we approach the upcoming elections, let's take a moment to **appreciate the sacrifices** made by those who fought for our freedom and the ability to participate in the democratic process.

Voting allows us to have a say in our country's future and shape the world we live in. As we celebrate National Gratitude Month, we can show our gratitude for democracy and the right to vote by...



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# Power Profiler



## Alonzo Mourning

**A**lonzo Mourning is a former professional basketball player who has served as vice president of player programs and development for the Miami Heat since June 2009. In his role, Mourning is responsible for ensuring the personal and professional development of HEAT players, while providing direct support and one-on-one mentoring. In addition, he represents the HEAT in various community and business endeavors.

Mourning played

college basketball for **John Thompson at Georgetown University**. After an NBA playing career that spanned **15 seasons** and obtaining an **NBA championship** with the HEAT in 2006, seven **All-Star berths** and twice being named the **NBA Defensive Player of the Year**, Mourning earned his highest professional honor, being enshrined into the **Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame** on August 8, 2014 in his first year of eligibility.

Mourning, who had his number 33 retired by

the HEAT in a ceremony on March 30, 2009, is Miami's **all-time leader in blocked shots (1,625)**. He also ranks among the HEAT's all-time leaders in points scored (2<sup>nd</sup>), free throws made (2<sup>nd</sup>) and attempted (2<sup>nd</sup>), total rebounds (2<sup>nd</sup>), offensive rebounds (2<sup>nd</sup>), double-doubles (2<sup>nd</sup>), double-figure scoring efforts (2<sup>nd</sup>), minutes played (3<sup>rd</sup>), field goals made (3<sup>rd</sup>) and attempted (3<sup>rd</sup>), defensive rebounds (3<sup>rd</sup>), games played (3<sup>rd</sup>), starts (4<sup>th</sup>), field goal percentage (5<sup>th</sup>) and scoring average (12<sup>th</sup>).



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This section is designed to keep you in the know and on the go. Check out some of the latest happenings in Black communities throughout the country this month.

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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<p><b>16</b></p> <p>MIAMI HEAT MEN'S HEALTH SUMMIT BROUGHT TO YOU BY BAPTIST HEALTH</p>	<p><b>21 - 24</b></p> <p>BLACK TRAVEL SUMMIT</p>	<p><b>22</b></p> <p>2024 BLACK PROFESSIONALS SUMMIT</p>	<p><b>22 - 23</b></p> <p>7TH ANNUAL BLACK GIRLS VOTE BALL</p>	<p><b>22</b></p> <p>BLACK ENTREPRENEURS DAY</p>

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