

**VOTE
MAY 8**

ELECT

EDMISTEN GOVERNOR



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Commitment To A Progressive Future

- ✓ **THE CABINET:**
I am committed to appointing blacks to cabinet and sub-cabinet level positions.
- ✓ **THE GOVERNOR'S STAFF:**
Blacks on my staff will have meaningful positions. There will be no "window dressing."
- ✓ **BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:**
Through the appointment process, I will increase black representation on State boards and commissions with an emphasis on major policy making bodies.
- ✓ **AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:**
There will be no retreat from progress made under the current administration. Recognizing that meaningful and substantive affirmative action efforts provide avenues of entry and career progression, I am committed to implementing a strong affirmative action program for all branches of State government.
- ✓ **INCREASING BLACK BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES:**
At the State level, I will direct all State departments, agencies, boards and com-

missions to substantially increase the amount of business with black firms. Further, particular attention will be devoted to strengthening the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce in its efforts to promote assistance and training for minorities in small businesses.

I intend to support legislation designed to permit local government to create a minority business enterprise program which allows minority businesses to participate in city and county contracts. I will also encourage local units of government to trade with minority businesses in a meaningful manner.

✓ **PRESERVATION OF HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES:**

In view of the significant contributions made to our society by North Carolina Black colleges and universities in producing an abundance of talented citizens, I am committed to working for the preservation and improvement of these institutions. As Governor, I will do everything in my power to insure that these institutions remain viable and identifiable as black schools.