THE BLACK LIST: FROM SLAVERY TO GEORGE FLOYD

FOR THOSE WHO NEED A BRIEF UNDERSTANDING OF HISTORY, SYSTEMIC, AND STRUCTURAL RACISM IN AMERICA

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401 YEARS SUMMED UP IN 60 HISTORICAL FACTS

CONNECTING THE VERY 1ST TWENTY SLAVES TO THE DEATH OF GEORGE FLOYD.

CONTRARY TO POPULAR BELIEF, HISTORY DOES NOT EXIST IN A VACUUM...

EVERYTHING IS CONNECTED.

- 1. 1619 20 AFRICANS BROUGHT FROM ANGOLA TO TSENACOMMACAH. WHICH IS NATIVE AMERICAN FOR "THIS WAS OUR LAND UNTIL THE ENGLISH INVADED IT, CONQUERED IT, AND RE-RENAMED IT TO JAMESTOWN, VIRGINIA."

 AND NOW IT BEGINS...
- 2. 1640 Indentured Servant, John Punch, is sentenced to a lifetime of Slavery in Virginia for running away from a tobacco field. His children are also punished with the same status. The 2 white companions he ran away with (also indentured servants) are only given extensions to their servitude. This cites the first recorded time "slavery" is codified and legalized.
 - 3. 1662 VIRGINIA PASSES THE "HEREDITARY SLAVE LAW."
 CHILDREN WILL HAVE THE SAME STATUS AS THEIR MOTHER. NOW SLAVERY
 BECOMES GENERATIONAL AND WHITE OWNERS ARE NOT LEGALLY
 RESPONSIBLE FOR CHILDREN WITH SLAVES.
- 4. 1705 VIRGINIA "SLAVE CODES" DEFINE SLAVES AS PROPERTY AND REAL ESTATE. NOW THEY ARE OFFICIALLY NO LONGER HUMAN.
 - 5. 1712 NEW YORK FORBIDS FREE SLAVES FROM OWNING PROPERTY. NOW YOU'VE STOPPED WEALTH.
 - 6. 1740 SOUTH CAROLINA PASSES THE "NEGRO ACT" MAKING
 IT ILLEGAL FOR SLAVES TO RAISE FOOD, EARN MONEY, AND LEARN ENGLISH.
 NOW YOU'VE CREATED DEPENDENCY, STOPPED INCOME, AND ENSURED
 ILLITERACY.
- 7. 1775 PHILLIS WHEATLEY BECOMES THE 1ST BLACK PERSON TO PUBLISH A BOOK 2 YEARS EARLIER. 20 SLAVES GROWS TO 37,000. THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR BEGINS. COLONIST VS BRITISH. LOOKING FOR EXTRA HELP, THE BRITISH DECLARE ANY SLAVES FIGHTING FOR THEM WILL BE FREED. RELEVANT WHEN WE GET TO THE "NATIONAL" ANTHEM.

- 8. 1776 DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE SIGNED. ALL MEN ARE NOT CREATED EQUAL. LIFE, LIBERTY AND PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS IS NOT FOR EVERYONE. REALLY JUST FOR WHITE MEN WITH LAND + PROPERTY. POOR WHITES AND WOMEN ALSO INCLUDED IN THE "NOT CREATED EQUAL" SECTION. LET ME REPEAT. 37,000 SLAVES WATCHED THOSE FREEDOM FIREWORKS. NOW WE HAVE THE FOUNDING OF HEGEMONY, CLASSISM, AND WHITE MALE PRIVILEGE. OH, AND A DIFFERENCE OF OPINION REGARDING THE 4TH OF JULY.
- 9. 1777 VERMONT IS 1ST STATE TO ABOLISH SLAVERY. 10 YEARS LATER, 44 YEAR OLD US AMBASSADOR TO FRANCE, THOMAS JEFFERSON, BEGINS HIS "RELATIONSHIP" WITH SALLY HEMINGS HIS 14 YEAR OLD SLAVE. THEY HAVE 6 KIDS TOGETHER. BLACK WOMEN USED AND SEEN AS OBJECTS (SEE #3). 10 YEARS LATER, THE "3/5 (SLAVE) COMPROMISE" WAS AGREED ON.
- 10. 1790 1ST US CENSUS. OUT OF 3.9 MILLION, 700,000 ARE SLAVES.
 300,000 LIVE IN MARYLAND-VIRGINIA. SOME OF WHICH ARE BROUGHT TO D.C.
 TO BUILD THE WHITE HOUSE COMPLETED IN 1800. BENJAMIN BANNEKER, A
 FREE BLACK MAN, HELPS WITH ARCHITECTURE PLANS. 3 YEARS LATER,
 FUGITIVE SLAVE ACT PASSED. FREE BLACK MEN SOLOMON NORTHUP ILLEGALLY CAPTURED (SEE/READ "12 YEARS A SLAVE").
- 11. 1794 ELI WHITNEY INVENTS THE COTTON GIN A MACHINE WHICH SEPARATES COTTON FROM ITS SEED. COTTON PRODUCTION AND THE SLAVE BOOM EXPANDS. BEFORE, 1 SLAVE TOOK 10 HOURS FOR 1 LB OF COTTON. NOW, 3 SLAVES CAN HANDLE 50 LBS IN ONE DAY. NOW THE SOUTH HAS GUARANTEED WEALTH. THIS IS IMPORTANT IN 70 MORE YEARS (SEE #18).
 - 12. 1796 George and Martha Washington's favorite slave, Oney Judge, Escapes. George uses his powers and posts newspaper ads w/ a \$10 reward (\$280 today) to find her. He never does. She lives in hiding for the rest of her life.

- 13. 1814 SLAVE OWNER FRANCIS SCOTT KEY WRITES THE "NATIONAL"
 ANTHEM. WE NEVER SING OR ACKNOWLEDGE IT, BUT THE 3RD
 STANZA IS PRETTY RACIST "NO REFUGE COULD SAVE THE HIRELING AND
 SLAVE, FROM THE TERROR OF FLIGHT OR THE GLOOM OF THE GRAVE"
 TRANSLATION: IT BOAST OF THE SLAVES WHO WERE KILLED TRYING TO RUN TO
 THE BRITISH SIDE FOR FREEDOM (SEE #7). THIS IS IMPORTANT 202 YEARS
 LATER (SEE #59).
 - 14. 1821 THE AMERICAN COLONIZATION SOCIETY OF QUAKERS, SLAVEHOLDERS, AND POLITICIANS SEND FREE BLACKS TO LIBERIA, AFRICA. THE BELIEF WAS THAT BLACKS AND WHITES COULD NEVER LIVE TOGETHER EQUALLY AND THE FEW FREE BLACK MEN AROUND WOULD UNDERMINE THE INSTITUTION OF SLAVERY.
- 15. 1828 Thomas D. Rice Makes Black Face and "Jumping Jim Crow" Minstrel Shows Famous. This is the Birth of Negative Black Stereotypes (Lazy, Chicken & Watermelons, Big Smiles, etc). Relevant in 37 more years (See #22). 9 years later, 1st Black College, Cheyney University, is founded. 10 years later, 1st Police Department founded in Boston. New York (1845). Chicago (1851)...
 - 16. 1849 Henry "Box" Brown, a slave from Louisa County, Virginia pays \$86 to mail himself in a box to Philadelphia for freedom. Dr. Samuel Cartwright introduces "Drapetomania" mental illness to explain runaway slaves. 3 years later, Frederick Douglass ask "What to the Slave is the 4th of July?"
 - 17. 1857 DRED SCOTT V. SANFORD. THE SLAVE WHO SUED FOR HIS FREEDOM BECAUSE HE LIVED WHERE SLAVERY WAS ILLEGAL. HE LOST. AND THE SUPREME COURT DECIDED 7-2 THAT BLACKS CAN NEVER BE HUMAN OR CITIZENS. RELEVANT IN 108 YEARS (SEE #43). 2ND BLACK COLLEGE LINCOLN UNIVERSITY ALSO FOUNDED IN PENNSYLVANIA.

- 18. 1860 SLAVERY MAKES THE SOUTH ONE OF THE WEALTHIEST PLACES IN THE WORLD AND VALUED AT OVER \$4 BILLION DOLLARS. 75% OF THE WORLD'S COTTON COMES FROM HERE (SEE #11). ABE LINCOLN WINS PRESIDENCY. 11 STATES SECEDE FROM THE US AND FORM THE "CONFEDERATE STATES OF AMERICA." ARTICLE 1, SECTION 9 OF THE CSA CONSTITUTION READS: "NO BILL OF ATTAINDER, EX POST FACTO LAW, OR LAW DENYING OR IMPAIRING THE RIGHT OF PROPERTY IN NEGRO SLAVES SHALL BE PASSED" TRANSLATION: SLAVERY WILL NEVER BE ILLEGAL AND WE ARE WILLING TO FIGHT AND DIE FOR IT. RELEVANT FOR CONFEDERATE FLAG "HERITAGE."
 - 19. 1861-1865 BETWEEN 620,000-850,000 FIGHT AND DIE IN A CIVIL WAR FOR SLAVERY, NOT STATES' RIGHTS. CONFEDERACY LASTS 5 YEARS.
- 20. 1863 Lincoln Signs Emancipation Proclamation. Slavery "ends" (on paper) in 11 Confederate Rebel States and Frees (on paper) 3.5 million slaves. However, slavery still exist (in real life) in Texas, Kentucky, Maryland, Delaware, and Missouri.
- 21. 1865 Juneteenth Officially Frees 250,000 slaves in Texas.

 13th Amendment abolishes slavery "officially." Fine print allows slavery to continue for prisoners: "Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime." 1 year later, the Vagrancy Act is passed 1 year later. "Unemployed" and "homeless" black men enter new system of slavery = prison.
- 22. 1865-1965 JIM CROW / BLACK CODES ERA BEGINS. HISTORY BOOKS CALL IT THE "RECONSTRUCTION ERA." SCHOOLS, PUBLIC FACILITIES, HOSPITALS, RECORDS, TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING, SPORTS, LIFE. ALL SEGREGATED.

 LEGAL BARRIERS ENACTED TO IMPEDE UPWARD MOBILITY FOR BLACK PEOPLE.

 RELEVANT FOR THE NEXT 155 YEARS.

- 23. 1866 THE 2ND ORDER OF THE KU KLUX KLAN IS CREATED IN STONE MOUNTAIN, GA (NOT INDIANA AS POPULARLY ASSUMED). LYNCHING, FEAR, AND MURDER BECOMES ENCOURAGED IN THE SOUTH. "BLACK CODES" LEGALIZED BY SOUTHERN STATES TO KEEP BLACKS WORKING FOR LOW WAGES OR IN DEBT. AND IT RESTRICTED BLACKS FROM OWNING PROPERTY, CONDUCTING BUSINESS, BUYING, OR LEASING LAND. STOPPED WEALTH AGAIN (SEE #4-6). SHARECROPPING IS A THING. LOOPHOLE IN 13TH AMENDMENT CREATES CONVICT LEASING SYSTEM. THIS ALLOWED "CRIMINALS" TO GO BACK INTO SLAVERY WHICH ENCOURAGED THE ARREST OF BLACK MEN FOR ANYTHING (SEE #21). OVER 90% OF THE SOUTHERN PRISON POPULATION IS BLACK. THIS ALSO BECOMES RELEVANT IN 105 YEARS (SEE #48).
- 24. 1868 14TH AMENDMENT "GUARANTEED" ALL CITIZENS "EQUAL PROTECTION OF THE LAWS." THIS "OVERTURNED" THE DRED SCOTT DECISION ON PAPER, NOT IN PRACTICE (SEE #14). 3 YEARS AFTER FREEDOM, JOHN WILLIS MENARD BECOMES 1ST BLACK ELECTED TO CONGRESS (LOUISIANA). NOTICING BLACK POLITICAL POTENTIAL, VOTER SUPPRESSION INCREASES.
- 25. 1869 HOWARD UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW BECOMES 1ST BLACK LAW SCHOOL. 1ST BLACK LABOR CONVENTION MEETS IN D.C. MENARD BECOMES 1ST BLACK PERSON TO GIVE A SPEECH TO CONGRESS.
- 26. 1870 15TH AMENDMENT: "THE RIGHT OF CITIZENS OF THE US TO VOTE SHALL NOT BE DENIED OR ABRIDGED ON ACCOUNT OF RACE ... ON PAPER, NOT IN PRACTICE. SEE THE 1ST SENTENCE ON #23 AND LAST SENTENCE ON #24.
 - 27. 1875 CIVIL RIGHTS ACT WHICH AFFIRMED THE "EQUALITY OF ALL MEN BEFORE THE LAW" AND PROHIBITED RACIAL DISCRIMINATION IN PUBLIC PLACES IS OVERTURNED BY 8-1 SUPREME COURT VOTE AS "UNCONSTITUTIONAL." THIS IS IMPORTANT IN 90 YEARS (SEE #42).

- 28. 1881 SPELMAN BECOMES 1ST COLLEGE FOR BLACK WOMEN. THE AFRICAN DODGER AKA "HIT THE NIGGER BABY" IS INTRODUCED AT CARNIVALS AND FAIRS WHITE CUSTOMERS THROW BASEBALLS AT LIVE BLACK HUMANS.
- 29. 1890 STATES LEGALIZE VOTER RIGHTS DISCRIMINATION. NOW YOU MUST OWN PROPERTY AND BE ABLE TO READ TO VOTE. BUT OWNING LAND AND READING IS ILLEGAL (SEE #5, #6, #23). RELEVANT IN 75 YEARS (SEE #42). AND STILL TODAY. 6 YEARS LATER, SUPREME COURT AFFIRMS BLACKS ARE "SEPARATE, BUT EQUAL" IN PLESSY V. FERGUSON. "GREAT MIGRATION" OF BLACKS FROM SOUTH TO NORTH BEGINS. "SUNDOWN TOWNS" ALSO STARTS "DON'T LET THE SUN GO DOWN ON YOU N----R"
- 30. 1905 James Weldon Johnson Writes the Official Negro National Hymn "Lift Every Voice and Sing." Because the 1st "National" hymn was written for someone else (See # 13). O.W. Gurley Buys a large area of Land in Tulsa, OK Black Wall Street (See # 33).
- 31. 1909 THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE (NAACP) IS FOUNDED BY W.E.B DU BOIS, IDA B. WELLS, MARY WHITE COVINGTON AND MOORFIELD STOREY... BECAUSE OF 30 THINGS LISTED BEFORE THIS.
 - 32. 1917-1919 D.W. GRIFFITH'S FILM "BIRTH OF A NATION" (AKA "THE CLANSMEN") 1ST FILM EVER SHOWN AT THE WHITE HOUSE. US ENTERS WW1. 370,000 BLACKS ENLISTED FIGHTING FOR FREEDOM? AFTER THE WAR, 100s of Black men in the South Killed by White Supremacist "Red Summer of 1919." "Racially Restrictive Covenants" Expands-Property Owners ban House Sales to Blacks.
- 33. 1920S HARLEM RENAISSANCE PUSHES BLACK CULTURE. BLACK WALL STREET BOMBED AND BURNED (1921). 7,600 WOMEN OF COLOR STERILIZED IN N.C., 1929-1974 (SEE #45). GREAT DEPRESSION STRIKES (1929). RELEVANT FOR WHO GETS HELP AND WHO DOESN'T ESPECIALLY HOUSING (SEE #34-36). "THE LIST" MARQUIS D.B.

- 34. 1931-1935 "NATIONAL ANTHEM/STAR SPANGLED BANNER" OFFICIALLY AMERICA'S SONG. TUSKEGEE SYPHILIS EXPERIMENTS. 399 BLACKS OBSERVED FOR 40 YEARS AND NEVER TOLD THEY HAD SYPHILIS OR GIVEN A CURE. THINGS THEY DO TO YOU WHEN YOU'RE NOT CONSIDERED HUMAN. FEDERAL HOUSING ADMINISTRATION CREATED. REDLINING AND HOUSING DISCRIMINATION LEGALLY BEGINS IN 200+ CITIES. FIRST PUBLIC HOUSING PROJECTS TECHWOOD HOMES OPENED IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA IN 1935. RELEVANT IN 88 YEARS. 2 YEARS LATER, VICTOR H. GREEN CREATES "THE NEGRO MOTORIST GREEN BOOK" FOR BLACKS TO AVOID RACIST AREAS.
 - 35. 1939-1945 US ENTERS WW2. OVER 1 MILLION BLACKS DRAFTED AND STILL FIGHTING FOR ...? BLACK VETS CAME HOME TO NO GI BILLS, NO BANK LOANS, NO VA HOUSING PRIVILEGES. 99% WENT TO WHITE SOLDIERS STARTING "WHITE FLIGHT". STILL NO WEALTH OR HOUSING.
- 36. 1950s Poor Blacks with no homes working "good" factory Jobs. Watch what happens 20 years later (See #47). Govt encourages white purchase outside the city Suburbs created.
- 37. 1954 Brown V. Board of Education. 89 Years Later Segregation (In Public Schools) is finally unconstitutional. Kinda, This Changes in 36 Years (See #52).
- 38. 1955 EMMETT TILL BRUTALLY MURDERED. 2 WHITE MEN WHO BOASTED ABOUT THE MURDER ACQUITTED BY ALL-WHITE JURY. CIVIL RIGHTS PROTESTS OFFICIALLY BEGINS. RELEVANT TO WHY EVERY SINGLE PROTEST HAPPENS. VIETNAM WAR BEGINS. OVER 225,000 BLACK MEN FIGHT FOR ...?
- 39. 1956 Your favorite February Icon Rosa Parks is arrested (Montgomery Bus Boycott). J. Edgar Hoover creates the secret Counterintelligence Program "Cointelpro" to maintain the white U.S. Status Quo and Kill/Silence/Destroy any and all protests Movements and "Black Messiahs" (See #43, #45 #50).

- 40. 1960 Greensboro 4 sit down in peaceful protest at a Woolworth. Protest works. Months later they can eat at the counter. Police militarization increases due to racial protest. Riot and SWAT teams created as a result. Relevant again in 40 years.
- 41. 1963 PRESIDENT JFK AND CIVIL RIGHTS ACTIVIST MEDGAR EVERS ASSASSINATED. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING HAS A "DREAM" JUST ONE MONTH BEFORE 4 YOUNG BLACK GIRLS ARE BOMBED AND KILLED WHILE GETTING DRESSED AT THE 16TH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH IN BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA. 2 OF THE 5 WHITE MEN INVOLVED WERE CONVICTED 38 YEARS LATER IN 2001. YES, 38 YEARS LATER.
- 42. 1964 FANNIE LOU HAMER GIVES ONE OF THE GREATEST SPEECHES EVER. PREZZY LBJ SIGNS CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964. REVERSES 1875
 SUPREME COURT DECISION AND PROHIBITS DISCRIMINATION OF ALL KIND (SEE #27). MEANWHILE, CIVIL RIGHTS ACTIVISTS JAMES CHANEY, MICHAEL SCHWERNER AND ANDREW GOODMAN ARE KILLED BY POLICE AND KKK (MISSISSIPPI BURNING). POLICE + KKK ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN THE SUPPRESSION OF CIVIL RIGHTS (AND BLACK PEOPLE). HOTEL MANAGER JIMMY BROCK THROWS HYDROCHLORIC ACID IN A POOL OF BLACKS + WHITES IN FLORIDA.
- 43. 1965 MALCOLM X IS ASSASSINATED INSIDE THE AUDUBON BALLROOM IN MANHATTAN, NEW YORK. NATION OF ISLAM CHARGED AND... (SEE #39). MLK MARCHES 54 MILES FROM SELMA TO MONTGOMERY. LBJ SIGNS 2ND ACT SO BLACKS CAN VOTE. BLACKS ARE HUMAN AND CITIZENS (SEE #17).
- 44. 1966 BLACK PANTHER PARTY IS FOUNDED IN OAKLAND TO DEFEND AGAINST POLICE BRUTALITY AND VIOLENCE. BECAUSE PANTHERS ARE ARMED, THE MULFORD ACT OUTLAWING PUBLIC CARRYING OF FIREARMS- IS PASSED BY GOV. RONALD REAGAN. SUPREME COURT INTRODUCES "QUALIFIED IMMUNITY" TO PROTECT OFFICERS. RELEVANT FOR THE NEXT 53 YEARS. "PROJECT 100,000" ASKS BLACK MEN: JAIL OR VIETNAM "THE LIST"- MARQUIS D.B.

45. 1968 - ELAINE REDDICK BLAMED, TRICKED, AND STERILIZED AFTER BEING RAPED. SHE WAS 13. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR ASSASSINATED AT THE LORRAINE MOTEL IN MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE. JAMES EARL RAY NAMED AND... SEE #39 AGAIN. 200 CITIES RIOT AND PROTEST FOR 53 DAYS. FBI DOCUMENTS ARE CLASSIFIED UNTIL 2027. TOMMIE SMITH AND JOHN CARLOS RAISE A BLACK FIST AT THE MEXICO SUMMER OLYMPICS. LBJ SIGNS FAIR HOUSING ACT PROHIBITING HOUSING DISCRIMINATION (SEE #34). AFTER 349 YEARS, BLACKS CAN FINALLY VOTE, BUY A HOUSE AND BE A CITIZEN WITH PROTECTION. I NEED YOU TO REALIZE THAT WAS ONLY 52 YEARS AGO.

46. 1969 - RICHIE HAVENS OPENS WOODSTOCK WITH "FREEDOM." JIMI HENDRIX CLOSES IT. 2 BLACK ARTISTS BEGIN AND END THE 1ST YEAR OF WOODSTOCK IN NEW YORK. BUT IN CHICAGO, BLACK PANTHER DEPUTY FRED HAMPTON IS ASSASSINATED BY CHICAGO POLICE AND ...YUP (SEE #39).

47. 1970s - Technology, Globalization, and outsourcing increases black unemployment 20% (20 years from #32). Low education, no Job opportunity, and poor public housing environment leaves the Door open for crime and drugs. Shirley Chisholm becomes the 1st woman and 1st Black woman to run for the Democrat Prezzy nomination. Rise of "Black Power" Movement begins

48. 1971 - CONGRESSIONAL BLACK CAUCUS ESTABLISHED IN D.C. TO ADVOCATE ON BEHALF OF BLACK PEOPLE. RICHARD NIXON'S "WAR ON DRUGS" BEGINS FOR THE NEXT 40 YEARS. POLICE PRESENCE IN INNER CITIES INCREASED SIGNIFICANTLY. ARREST RATES RISE TARGETING BLACK MEN. MASS INCARCERATION BEGINS AGAIN (CONVICT LEASING). HOOVER'S COINTELPRO ENDS (SEE #39). 2 YEARS LATER, MARTIN COOPER INVENTS THE MOBILE CELL PHONE. SO RELEVANT LATER.

49. 1978 - THE SUPREME COURT RULES IN UC REGENTS V. BAKKE THAT AFFIRMATIVE ACTION (AND RACE) CAN BE USED AS A LEGAL STRATEGY TO DEAL WITH PAST DISCRIMINATION.

- 50. 1980s Ronald Reagan Continues the "War on drugs." Drug Arrests up 126%. Harsh Mandatory Minimum Sentencing. Still Heavy Police Presence. Corrections Corporation of America is founded, and Prisoners Become Wall Street Stock. Black Panther Party ends due to Early Cointelpro Involvement. 34 Million Americans Living Below Poverty Level 36% are black. Jesse Jackson Runs for Democratic Nomination in 1984 Finishing 3rd.
- 51. 1985 CONTRA COCAINE FBI, CIA, AND US STATE DEPT INVOLVED WITH NICARAGUAN REBELS WHICH INDIRECTLY ALLOWS DRUG TRAFFICKING INTO THE US. CRACK COCAINE (SEE 52) BEGINS REALLY DESTROYING INNER CITIES. SEE THE FX SHOW "SNOWFALL" FOR NON-FICTIONAL DRAMATIZATION.
- 52. 1989 Jesse Jackson Runs again in 1988 finishing 2nd. George H.W. Bush Wins, but the "Willie Horton" Ad Instills more fear about black men. Bush continues the "War on Drugs." Congress passes 100 to 1 sentencing disparity for crack rock and powder cocaine. Whites used more expensive cocaine powder; blacks used crack rock. Calls for \$1.5 billion on "Drug War." Relevant 24 years and millions of prisoners later. Courts end desegregation order, ending brown v. Board and increasing school segregation (see #37, #57).
- 53. 1992 BILL CLINTON CONTINUES THE "WAR ON DRUGS," MILITARIZATION, AND MASS INCARCERATION. OVER 2 MILLION BLACKS IN PRISON. RODNEY KING BEAT ON TAPE. ALL 4 COPS ACQUITTED. 2 YEARS LATER, 3 STRIKES LAW AND CRIME BILL SIGNED. 5 YEARS LATER 1033 PROGRAM TRANSFERRED \$5.1 BILLION DOLLARS OF MILITARY WEAPONS TO POLICE.
 - 54. 2005 HURRICANE KATRINA IS WORST URBAN DISASTER IN MODERN HISTORY. 90,000 BLACKS DISPLACED. DISPROPORTIONATELY AFFECTS BLACK COMMUNITIES. BLACK HOMEOWNERS 3X MORE LIKELY TO BE AFFECTED THAN WHITE. REDLINING/HOUSING DISCRIMINATION ENSURED WHITE FAMILIES HAD FIRST CLAIM TO HIGHER GROUND LAND/HOMES (SEE #34). "BUSH DOESN'T CARE ABOUT BLACK PEOPLE" OLD KANYE.

55. 2008 - OBAMA GOT IN THE HOUSE BUILT BY SLAVES. BUT HE TOO CONTINUED THE "WAR ON DRUGS" AND THE MILITARIZATION OF THE POLICE IN HIS 1ST TERM. QUALIFIED IMMUNITY ALSO INCREASINGLY APPLIED IN CASES INVOLVING EXCESSIVE OR DEADLY FORCE. WALL STREET CRASHES AND DESTROYS AVERAGE AMERICAN ("THE BIG SHORT"). WALL STREET IS BAILED OUT WITH BILLIONS. NO ONE EVER CALLS THIS "REVERSE WELFARE" OR A HANDOUT. BLACK FOLKS HIT HARDEST AGAIN. UNEMPLOYMENT AT 16%. BLACK MEDIAN WEALTH INCOME PROJECTED TO ZERO BY 2053. LACK OF HOME OWNERSHIP AND OWNING LESS VALUABLE HOMES PARTLY TO BLAME (SEE #35, #36, #37, #47).

56. 2009 - UNEMPLOYMENT STILL ON THE RISE. SCHOOLS UNDERFUNDED.
FORECLOSURES, HOUSING DISCRIMINATION, PREDATORY LENDING AGAINST
BLACKS, ASIANS AND HISPANICS CONTINUES DURING A GLOBAL RECESSION.
DRUG USE AND DEALING IS RAMPANT. (I REALLY HOPE YOU SEE HISTORY'S HAND IN ALL THIS) POLICE PRESENCE IN INNER CITIES MAINTAINS. OSCAR GRANT KILLED ON NEW YEAR'S. COP SERVED LESS THAN 1 YEAR.

57. 2010 - 24 YEARS AND 3 MILLION+ PRISONERS LATER, OBAMA SIGNS "FAIR SENTENCING ACT" TO REDUCE CRACK-COCAINE DISPARITY TIED TO NIXON-REAGAN-BUSH-CLINTON-BUSH-OBAMA'S "WAR ON DRUGS" (SEE #48-#55). PRISONS STILL OVERWHELMED, MORE BEING BUILT, COPS STILL PATROL THE INNER CITY. YES, OBVIOUSLY WHERE THERE IS CRIME THERE ARE POLICE, BUT THE KEY IS TO UNDERSTAND HOW THE INNER CITY GOT THIS WAY. "KIDS FOR CASH" SCANDAL - JUDGES RECEIVE \$\$\$ KICKBACKS FOR IMPOSING HARSH SENTENCES AND INCREASING PRIVATE PRISON RATES. WELLS FARGO EXPOSED AS RESTRICTING "GHETTO LOANS" TO BLACK "MUD PEOPLE."

BLACKS FACE HIGHEST HOME LOAN DENIAL RATES AT 25% - 10% FOR WHITES. 4 YEARS LATER, HUD ORDERS WISCONSIN BANK TO PAY \$200 MILLION AFTER REFUSING LOANS TO BLACK AND HISPANIC CLIENTS.

58. 2012-2016 - "BLACK LIVES MATTER" MOVEMENT CREATED AFTER
TRAYVON MARTIN IS KILLED. AND NEEDED AGAIN AND AGAIN FOR: ERIC
GARNER. JOHN CRAWFORD. EZELL FORD. MICHAEL BROWN. TANISHA
ANDERSON. AQUAN MCDONALD. TAMIR RICE. SANDRA BLAND. RENISHA
MCBRIDE. FREDDIE GRAY. ALTON STERLING. PHILANDO CASTILE. SAMUEL
DUBOSE. MEAGAN HOCKADAY. AIYANA JONES. REKIA BOYD. JEREMY MCDOLE.
WALTER SCOTT. TERENCE CRUTCHER. KORRYN GAINES.. ETC.. ETC. ETC.
MARTIN COOPER CELL PHONES CAPTURING EVIDENCE, BUT COPS STILL "NOT
GUILTY." "BLUE LIVES MATTER" CREATED. BLACK HOUSEHOLD AVERAGE NET
WORTH IS NOW \$140,000. WHITE FAMILY NET WEALTH 7X GREATER (SEE
#50, #55,#56, #57). BROWN V. BOARD ENDS (SEE #37). SCHOOLS
RESEGREGATED. "APARTHEID SCHOOLS" BECOME THE NORM. FLINT, MI FINDS
LEAD IN WATER. 8 CHARGED. ALL "NOT GUILTY."

59. 2016 - BLACK POPULATION = 40 MIL (13%). SF 49ERS QB COLIN KAEPERNICK SITS DOWN ON THE BENCH DURING THE "NATIONAL" ANTHEM (SEE #13). AFTER SPEAKING WITH ARMY GREEN BERET NATE BOYER AND LEARNING WHAT KNEELING REPRESENTS AT MILITARY FUNERALS, KAEP TAKES A KNEE. NOT IN DISRESPECT TO THE MILITARY OR VETERANS OR ALL POLICE - JUST AGAINST THE TERRIBLE MURDEROUS ONES. AND DURING THE "NATIONAL" SONG WHICH WAS WRITTEN DURING SLAVERY, BY A SLAVE OWNER, LAUGHING AT SLAVES. BECAUSE PROTESTING 346 YEARS OF SOCIAL INJUSTICE IN AMERICA AND POLICE BEING ACQUITTED WHEN BRUTALITY, VIOLENCE AND MURDER HAPPENS IS A RIGHT WE SHOULD ALL UNDERSTAND.

60. 2017-2020. "MAKE AMERICA GREAT AGAIN." DONALD TRUMP BRINGS ABOUT THE NOT-SO-COINCIDENTAL RISE OF RACIAL DIVISION, WHITE EXTREMISTS AND WHITE SUPREMACISTS RHETORIC IN THE COUNTRY, SYMBOLIZED BY "UNITE THE RIGHT" RALLY IN CHARLOTTESVILLE AND "LAW AND ORDER" SPEECHES. STUDY FINDS FOR EVERY \$1.00 WHITES OWN, BLACKS OWN .01 CENT. REDLINING STILL AFFECTING 3 OUT OF 4 BLACK AREAS (SEE #34). COVID-19 DISPROPORTIONATELY AFFECTING BLACK PEOPLE DUE TO POOR, REDLINED LIVING CONDITIONS, AND MINIMAL ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE.

AHMAUD ARBERY (JOGGING), BREONNA TAYLOR (SLEEPING), AND GEORGE FLOYD (\$20 DISPUTE). ALL KILLED WITHIN A 5-MONTH TIME FRAME.

THE HEARTBREAKING LAST WORDS OF VIOLINIST ELIJAH MCCLAIN.

5 BLACK MEN WERE LYNCHED IN CALIFORNIA, TEXAS, AND NEW YORK.

OVER 20 DAYS OF PROTESTS AND RIOTS TOOK PLACE IN EVERY SINGLE STATE IN AMERICA FOR THE 1ST TIME EVER.

THE RIOTS AND PROTESTS LED TO:

POLICE REFORM, DISBANDS, QUALIFIED IMMUNITY AND FUNDING DISCUSSIONS (CITY/STATE LEVEL, NOT FEDERAL - QUICK SHOUT OUT TO COLORADO)
REMOVAL OF CONFEDERATE STATUTES, JESUS, AND COLUMBUS
BLACK MENTAL HEALTH ZOOM CALLS

JUNETEENTH BEING RECOGNIZED

NATIONAL BLACK OUT'S

KAEPERNICK JOB POTENTIAL

JOE BIDEN TELLING BLACK PEOPLE "THEY AIN'T BLACK"
AN INCREASE IN "KAREN" AND "AMY" SIGHTINGS

BUT WHITE PEOPLE ALSO REALIZING BEING "NOT RACIST" IS NOT ENOUGH AND BEING ANTI-RACIST IS EVERYTHING

BOLD YELLOW STREET ART

BLACK-OWNED BUSINESS BOOMS

AUNTIE SYRUP AND UNCLE RICE BOX CHANGES

THE VOICE OF CLEVELAND FROM FAMILY GUY WANTING A BLACK ACTOR (WHO KNEW HE WAS WHITE ?!)

NASCAR CONFEDERATE FLAG WITHDRAWALS (AND NOOSE GARAGE PULLS)
VIRAL BEETHOVEN BEING BLACK (HE IS DEFINITELY NOT)

AND BLACK LIVES FINALLY MATTERING (STILL PENDING...)

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