Historic Elections



November 1966

Edward W Brooke of
Massachesetts became
the first African
American elected to the
United States Senate by
popular vote.



November 1968

Shirley Chisholm of New York became the first African American woman elected to the United States House of Representatives.



Lawrence Douglas Wilder of Virginia became the first African American elected Governor in the United States.



November 1989

Carol Moseley Braun of Illinois became the first African American woman elected to the United States Senate.



November 2008



Barack Obama was elected President of the United States.