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Lynch Confirmed as U. S. Attorney General

Loretta Lynch Makes History as America's First African-American Female Attorney General

Loretta E. Lynch has been confirmed to become the Attorney General of the United States of America. Ms. Lynch was confirmed by the United States Senate after a protracted wait of almost six months to have her nomination come to the Senate for a vote.

"Today is an extremely proud day in North Carolina," said Reverend Dr. Nilous M. Avery, II, President of the General Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, Inc. "The nation's new Attorney General is an exceptionally well qualified person and will serve admirably as the Nation's chief law enforcement officer." Referring to Ms. Lynch's deep connections in North Carolina and the General Baptist State Convention, President Avery went on to say that "she will bring to the position a strong sense of values and justice which



Loretta E. Lynch, daughter of longtime Baptist pastor Dr. Lorenzo A. Lynch of Durham and sister of GBSC Vice President At-Large Dr. Leonzo D. Lynch of Charlotte, has been confirmed to become the next Attorney General of the United States of America.

have been instilled in her since childhood, being a product of what is the best of our state and our Baptist Convention. Our Convention congratulates the Lynches on this historic day and promises to commit and continue in prayer for the new Attorney General."

Ms. Lynch currently serves as U. S. Attorney for the Eastern District of New York. She was first nominated for this post by President William J. Clinton. After working as a partner in an international law firm, she returned to the same post in 2010 upon

the nomination of President Barack Obama.

In nominating her, the President Obama said, "Loretta has spent her life fighting for fair and equal justice that is the foundation of our democracy, I can think of no better public servant to be our next attorney general."

The vote on Ms. Lynch's confirmation came as the end result of nearly five months delay. This delay caused many persons across the county – and especially in North Carolina – to wonder about the motives regarding the delay for a vote on her nomination considering that few if any questioned her qualifications for the office. Ms. Lynch was confirmed by a 56-43 vote in the Senate with both of North Carolina's senators (Senator Richard Burr and Thom Tillis) voting against her confirmation.