



10,000 KOREAN VOTES

What's the Legal Significance of 10,000 Korean Votes?

In 1965, the U.S. Congress passed the **Voting Rights Act** which ensures all citizens have an equal right to vote. Section 203 of this law requires states or counties to provide translators and ballots in another language when either 5% or 10,000 of their voting age citizens speak the same language, among other things.

This law was passed because of the long history of voter discrimination in America. For decades starting in the late 1800's most Chinese were prohibited from becoming US citizens much less voters. Black citizens in the South were also denied the right to vote. Even today, certain groups of citizens – elderly, disabled, limited English proficient – have a harder time exercising their Constitutional right to vote.

AALAC estimates there are at least 10,000 Korean eligible voters in Gwinnett County who would benefit from having translated ballots. While the federal government ultimately decides (and after, requires by law) that Gwinnett translate ballots in Korean, we have an opportunity to show through our collective voting power that we are, in fact, 10,000 voters strong and demand easier access to voting through translated ballots. Currently, 22 cities and counties have ballots translated in an Asian language. And cities like Houston and Los Angeles *voluntarily* translated ballots into certain languages long before they were required to do so because local voters pushed for it.

Koreans are the largest Asian community in Gwinnett, and it's time we flex our strength. Your vote together with the votes of every Korean who commits to voting can equal the power needed to show Koreans are here, engaged, and ready to exercise leadership for our community and state!

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