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White students a false sense of superiority, she says. "The White privileged group assumes this is their natural right," she said. "Indeed, White Supremacy was the ruling principal in this country for a couple of centuries. And when you assume that if you're White you have certain privileges and everyone of color is inferior, that, of course, is a skewed perspective, and it doesn't allow you to treat people with respect based on their individual personalities or to understand why there's not yet a level playing field."

For African-American students, not being taught inclusive history can compound low self-esteem, says Morrow.

"One of the issues is that they don't know that in spite of slavery and in spite of discrimination, Black people have achieved and have accomplished quite a bit, and that should be a source of pride, but not if it's avoided or eliminated from your textbook," she said.

"Teaching it brings an understanding of history and teaches people not to ignore what has happened in the past and its affect on modern-day society."

Upon founding Black History week in 1926, Carter G. Woodson expressed hope that America will someday not have to commemorate Black History separately from American history.

That day is not here yet, says Morrow. Without Black history in the classroom, she concludes, "It's a very skewed and imbalanced view."

Sharpton

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good stop-and-frisks to justify the bad ones. They are saying that over 50 percent of the stops are where victims have given a description to the police, but the others are where they are just stopping people where no one gave a description."

He added, "The real culprits are the oversight bodies that have a responsibility to make sure that no governmental agency operates based on its own mandate. The City Council has failed to ensure that the NYPD obeyed the law by turning over the relevant data."

As previously noted, the NYPD has failed to give regular reports tracking the numbers.

"We could have stopped this in 2003 by making sure the law was carried out," said Adams. "Ever since 9/11, elected officials in this city

and state have been afraid to get the unpatriotic label attached to them by critiquing law enforcement tactics. We have to return to providing the vital role of providing oversight of the law agencies in this state. I am blaming the Public Safety Committee for not providing oversight of the NYPD, as well as the police commissioner for not ensuring oversight within his department."

One solution Adams said is to "join Sharpton's lawsuit. They need to make sure that each time they are unjustly stopped and frisked, they must file a CCRB report. The state must stop playing with this issue and make racial profiling a criminal issue."

The NYPD's press office did not respond to an *Amsterdam News* request for a direct response to Sharpton's reaction to the report; neither did Council

member Peter Vallone Jr., Public Safety Committee chairman.

"The people they are stopping are not those committing murders, rapes or grand larceny, so this has nothing to do with the crime rate. That's bogus," said Sharpton. "They didn't want to come out with these statistics. Councilman Peter Vallone claimed that he has been trying to get the report for months. Councilman Charles Barron got it in three days. If Barron had not embarrassed the police department into having to release these statistics, we still wouldn't have gotten them. We owe a tremendous debt to Charles Barron for what he did."

Speaking from Israel, where a contingent of council members are on a fact-finding trip dealing with "social concerns and issues of poverty," Bronx Council member Larry Seabrook, chairman of the Civil Rights Committee, said.

"I'm not surprised that the number has gone from less than 100,000 [in 2002] to half a million. Some of the stop-and-frisk numbers may not actually be recorded, so if they're saying they have stopped half a million, it might be closer to three quarters of a million. We will be

conducting hearings in March."

Barron declared, "The police department is racist. They are harassing innocent people, and Kelly and Bloomberg need stop being in denial."

The next course of action, Sharpton said, is data gathering. "We will have to go to the courts to prescribe what the police failed to do."

Recalling the 1998 shooting on the New Jersey Turnpike during which state troopers fired 11 shots at three Black men and one Latino man in a van, Sharpton said that he and the late Johnnie Cochran had spearheaded the movement forcing New Jersey to outlaw racial profiling and fining department heads.

Working with Cochran Firm attorney David Sells; the new National Action Network interim executive director, lawyer Charlie King; and civil liberties attorney Donna Lieberman, Sharpton said his organization is asking victims of stop-and-frisk racial profiling to give their names to their churches, organizations or to NAN so that "we have more gravity when we go to the courts."

Nayaba Arinde writes for the New York Amsterdam News.

Your Horoscope Says... Feb. 15- Feb. 21

ARIES

You can expect a message from a distance to arrive this week, and you'll be happy to hear it. The spirit is easily lifted if you remember that you only have to imagine your world the way you want it to be. Create a happy reality this week.

Soul Affirmation: I let worry fly away.

Lucky Numbers: 23, 27, 40

TAURUS

You're likely to be efficient and productive this week. Even if you work hard, you'll get satisfaction from a job well done. Use your talents to create some free time for yourself. Take a vacation or hang out at home with someone special.

Soul Affirmation: With Spirit I co-create my world.

Lucky Numbers: 6, 16, 54

GEMINI

Matters relating to health need attention. Prevention is more valuable than cure. Rest and eat well this week. Your stress will be lower by knowing that you do not have to fix a relationship that has gone sour. Feel your independence and ability to travel alone.

Soul Affirmation: People love me, yes they do.

Lucky Numbers: 1, 27, 29

CANCER

Use better judgment with regard to financial matters. Stop rationalizing. Money is important. Do something about the fact that you might find yourself broke more often than you wish. Continuing to deny it will delay doing something about it.

Soul Affirmation: I find comfort in the familiar.

Lucky Numbers: 6, 18, 24

LEO

Move slowly concerning relationships this week. People are a little

edgy, and they don't know exactly where you are coming from. Make full explanations. Don't assume that they know what's on your mind. Most of all, stay positive no matter what.

Soul Affirmation: Clinging to the old will inhibit my growth this week.

Lucky Numbers: 19, 24, 51

VIRGO

You can't be right all of the time. Instead of always trying to be right, try to find the logic in others' viewpoints, whether you happen to agree or not. Endear yourself to a loved one real soon, by really listening to what they have to say. Don't be so stubborn, that you deny yourself what you really want.

Soul Affirmation: I celebrate with those around me.

Lucky Numbers: 29, 48, 55

LIBRA

This week is a good week to dump any extra baggage that has been pulling you down. You have too much potential to throw away and waste your time on issues that will amount to nothing. Stay focused on your goals. Meet and spend time with people who will be able to help you reach your goals.

Soul Affirmation: The word is in me. I bring it forth.

Lucky Numbers: 23, 35, 48

SCORPIO

You have every opportunity for recognition right now; take advantage of it and leave the shrinking-violet act at home (preferably in a metal box placed on a high shelf in a dark closet). Your ambitions are on the rise, so work your show like a pro! Be sure to surround yourself with like-minded companions.

Soul Affirmation: I master life by mastering myself.

Lucky Numbers: 5, 6, 11

SAGITTARIUS

News from a distance will liven up your week. This should re-ignite your sense of adventure to the point where

you will suddenly put down that pencil, stop adding those figures, and start a conga-line dance from your cubicle. What would you most enjoy? This is the week to decide and then go get it.

Soul Affirmation: I send words like music to the ears of those around me.

Lucky Numbers: 3, 10, 13

CAPRICORN

Your creativity is bubbling, your ideals are ennobling, and you have time to talk and think with gusto and style. Friends are very important to you this week, and in between chats, you may find yourself thinking about higher love and what it means to your life.

Soul Affirmation: I will actually write a love letter to the Universe this week.

Lucky Numbers: 10, 20, 48

AQUARIUS

Get rid of the bad feelings toward someone who has done you wrong recently. These feelings are lurking about in your consciousness, clouding the sunlight that shines from a brighter view of human nature. Walk in that sun all week. Your cheerful spirit will be especially contagious to those you know and those who wish they knew you.

Soul Affirmation: I find a source of strength in someone I love.

Lucky Numbers: 4, 9, 36

PISCES

Your spiritual vibes will give you insight on a situation that's been on your mind. Share your thoughts with someone close to you. Spend time with friends and family that will provide support and guidance when you make an important decision.

Soul Affirmation: I enjoy looking at the road of life sweeping just in front of me.

Lucky Numbers: 20, 40, 41

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