CALIFORNIA -- In honor of Black History Month 2013, The National Coalition of Black Veterans Organizations has come together to advocate for the promotion of the late Colonel Charles Young, the legendary Buffalo Soldier who was medically discharged from the United States Army on January 22, 1917. Colonel Charles Young was recalled in 1918 in the grade of colonel after riding 500 miles to demonstrate his fitness to serve on active military duty. The Veterans have drafted a letter (See attached letter with Resolutions) requesting that the President issue a Proclamation elevating Colonel Young to the honorary rank of Brigadier General during Black History Month 2013.