



THE  
**BLACK SURFING ASSOCIATION'S**  
STATEMENT OF  
PURPOSE AND INTENT

THIS association of surfers, black surfers, is the first of its kind. Our intent and purpose is the continuous search for our unique character and individuality so fluidly expressed in dancing, wave dancing. We are the literal main ingredient of a developing organization of young and old, male and female, Black persons who seek to share the pleasures of our Creator's oceanic rhythms.

Our distinctive group, which is increasing in number, is greatly diversified in our individual perspectives and pursuits. Our politics, philosophies, vocations and social relations are as varied as our personalities and spiritual realizations. Yet with our varied lifestyles, we are bonded together by two cosmic forces, blood and water. The blood, being our ancestral African roots, and the water, being the oceans and seas of the world.

The focal point of this bond is the sharing of the sport and art-form of surfing. This water sport, believed to have been created by our own oceanic ancients, is enjoyed today throughout the coastal regions of the world. Though comparatively small in numbers, surfing, like tennis, golf, and skiing, is enjoying an increasing number of Black participants. From this growth of interest, participation, and the need for sharing arose the conception of the developing BLACK SURFING ASSOCIATION.

UMOJA, together as one, in God's name, let us surf, share, and save our Oceans and Seas.

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