

A close-up photograph of Donald Trump, smiling slightly, wearing a dark blue suit, white shirt, and a red tie with white diagonal stripes. He is standing behind a podium with two microphones in front of him. The background is blurred.

Today in History

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▲ **Businessman Donald Trump won a shock election victory to become the first U.S. President never to have held public office or served in the military**

1973: The right ear of John Paul Getty III was delivered to a newspaper with a ransom demand for \$2.9 million

1991: Basketball star Magic Johnson revealed that he was quitting the sport because he was HIV positive

1996: A 19th century Swedish postage stamp, auctioned for \$2.25m, became the world's most valuable stamp

2018: California's deadliest wildfire killed 85 people and all but destroyed the town of Paradise