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Otis R. Harris, President, along with the Planning Staff of the Southern Nevada Economic Development Council will attend a meeting in Washington, D.C. with federal official and representatives of the thirty-six other Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) areas across the nation on June 7 and 8, 1979.

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The conference in designed to give an opportunity for representatives of the designated CEDS areas to meet in a general body to discuss issues and problems surrounding implementation of their respective programs.

The Southern Nevada Economice Development Council is the designated planing and development agency for economic development efforts in the federally designated "Special Impact Area" (SIA) of metropolitan Las Vegas. The SIA consists of the portions of Las Vegas and North Las Vegas more commonly referred to locally as Westside.

Las Vegas is the only SIA designated as CEDS by the federal government under the program. The other designated areas are all multi-county or single

The meeting in Washington, D.C. follows a meeting on June 5, 1979 held locally with U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration Western Region Director, Phyllis Lamphere, and Field Representative, Wilfred Marshall, with local officials, organizations and the Southern Nevada Economic Development Council to complete final action on the CEDS document developed by SNEDC in cooperation with local entities to direct economic development efforts for West Las Vegas.

Final approval of the plan by the federal government and signing of contracts for implementation is expected by the end of June.

CARTER PRAISES RIGHTS LEADER

Washington -- President Carter has hailed civil rights leader A. Philip Randolph, who died last week, as a leader who "helped sweep away long-standing barriers of discrimination and segreation."

It can be said of few individuals in our time that they helped transform the face of the American nation. A. Philip Randolph was one of those giants. His leadership in the trade union and civil rights movements has left an indelible mark on almost every area of our national life. A. Philip Randolph helped sweep away long-standing barriers of discrimination and segreation in industry and labor unions, in our schools and armed services, in politics and government.

For each new generation of civil rights leaders, he was an inspiration and an example. His dignity and integrity, his eloquence, his devotion to non-violence, and his unshakable commitment of justice all helped shape the ideals and spirit of the civil rights movement.

His voice and inspiration will long be missed, but America will always be a more just, more humane and more decent nation because A. Philip Randolph lived among us.

Jean Dutton Honored For His Distinguished Service



Jean Dutton, Clark County Assessor, was honored this week by the Disabled American Veterans for his assistance to veterans and senior citizens. William Stanek, Commander of Dav Chapter XI, presented Dutton with a plaque for his distinguished service. As County Assessor, Dutton is responsible for Administering the exemption programs for veterans, dis-

abled veterans and the senior citizens property tax assistance program.

Stanek said that in addition to administering the exemption programs, Dutton has assisted the veterans and senior citizens in obtaining legislation that expanded their exemption programs.