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## NAACP, Voters League & SNEDC Sign Resolution For Action

The Southern Nevada Economic Development Council, NAACP and Voters League will sign a Resolution for action on Friday, June 22, 1979 at 11:00 a.m. in the NAACP offices located at 900 West Owens.

The resolution outlines a working agreement whereby the NAACP will act as an advocacy organization by providing a forum for discussion and resolution by continuing its legal involvement in situations which appear to have legal ramifications on the life, safety and equal opportunities of minorities.

The Voters League is organizing and will work closely with Westside residents for involvement in the political process and will work with elected officials to inform them of the status of conditions in the Westside Community.

The Southern Nevada Economic Development Council will provide economic, land use, statistical, demographic, as well as funding, policy, and regulatory information concerning Westside to both NAACP and The Voters League.

In announcing the agreement, Dr. James B. McMillan, President of the NAACP, stated: "This is the greatest opportunity that the organizations and citizens of West Las Vegas have to point out to the citizens of Clark County that a pattern of discrimination and segregation in housing, job opportunities, and by financial institutions has existed over the last twenty years. We are going to use this opportunity to try and change life for the minority population of Clark County."

Mr. Otis Harris, President of the Southern Nevada Economic Development Council stated: "This is the start of a new age for the Westside community. The signing of this joint resolution represents a united plan of action to bring about change long overdue in this community."

Marjorie Elliott of the Voters League stated: "We expect to use the Voters League to organize the political thrust, be a political voice for this community and act as a forum because it is important to the economic and overall community development to have an effective political system in place within the community to make the public entities aware."

## Proposed Regulations For Children And Good Health

Proposed regulations for a new program to fund health education in elementary and secondary schools with emphasis on smoking, alcohol, and health, were announced today by Secretary Joseph A. Califano, Jr.

The program was signed into law by President Carter last November 1.

"Children must understand the importance of good health practices, and schools are a partner in this importance process," Califano said. "Children who properly respect and care for their bodies will suffer less from illness, disease, and injury and very often they perform better academically as well. That respect and care must be based on sound knowledge and education."

The program, administered by HEW's Office of Education, will permit grants to state and local education agencies for demonstration projects to improve their programs of comprehensive school health education. The projects will include the training of school administrators, teachers, and health education specialists as well as the dissemination of successful health education practices.

Coordination among education and public health agencies, medical and dental societies and other

groups concerned with school health programs is also fostered.

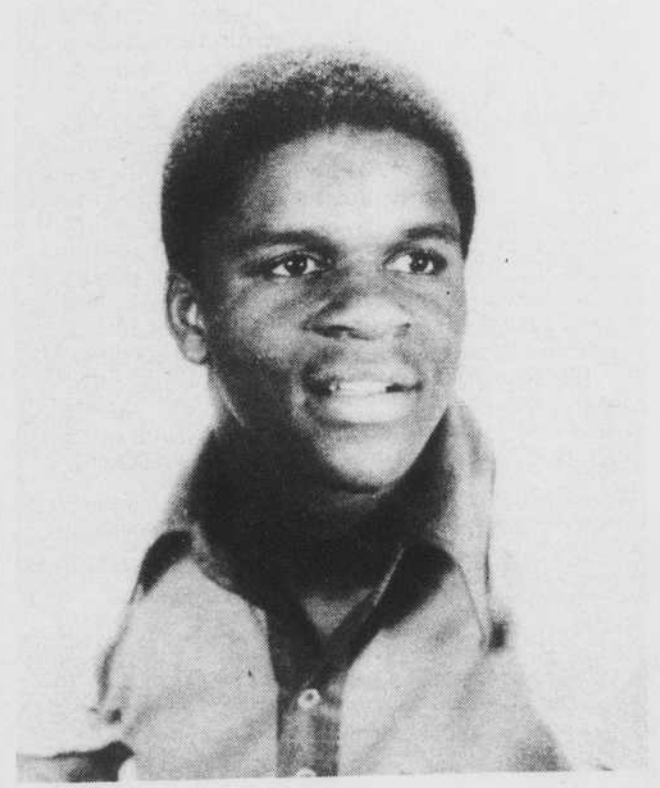
To qualify for funds, projects must include a component on smoking, alcohol, and health and also give attention to 10 other major national health concerns. These are: Nutrition and foods; exercise; weight control and obesity; immunization; mental health; medical, dental and other health care; consumer health interests; environmental conditions affecting health; drug abuse; safety and accident prevention.

Other health concerns also will qualify, such as dental health and cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

The Administration is seeking \$2 million to fund the program in fiscal year 1980, which commences October 1, 1979. It will be administered under Part I of Title III of Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965.

Public meetings on the proposed regulations will be held. Written comments must be received within 60 days. They should be addressed to Simon A. McNeely, U.S. Office of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, S.W., Room 2079 E, Washington, D.C. 20202.

## Valley High Students Receive Scholarships



Two top student scholars from Valley High School received scholarships totaling \$3,300 to participate in the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Computing Chemistry and Humanities Summer Program in Troy, New York, June 24 - August 17.

Student council president Kelvin Wynn and Reggie Varra, who will both be seniors this fall, were selected as the only students from Nevada to attend the program this summer. Their scholarships to Rensselaer include room and board and tuition costs, but do not

provide for transportation expenses.

Wynn will take an eight week chemistry course for which he will receive eight college credits, while Varra will enroll in a six-credit computer course.

Rensselaer, whose current president, George Low was the Deputy Director of NASA, is the oldest school of engineering and applied science in North America.

Wynn is the son of Juanita Williams of 932 King Richard Avenue. Varra is the son of James and Gloria Varra, 2112 Engelstad Avenue in North Las Vegas.

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