## 100 MOST INFL **BLACK VEGANS**

This is the third annual listing of the LAS VEGAS SENTINE **VOICE selection of the TOP 100 MOST INFLUENTIAL BLACK** LAS VEGANS. This listing was made exclusively by the LAS VEGAS SENTINEL-VOICE staff. It is the result of an in-depth study of the entire area during 1984 to include North Las Vegas over the twelve-month period. This study included interviews and discussions with hundreds of people in all walks of life, and research of available records on contributions and influence exuded by those mentioned. The staff developed a list of more than 260 nominees.

As always, many considerations were factored into the profile of each nominee. Among them, and not necessarily the only categories, were leadership, community involvement, positions held, regular one-on-one contact with large numbers of individuals and groups, City, County and State appointees and elected officials, activists, educators, dedicated volunteers and successful

This is not a popularity contest. It does not necessarily include community pioneers or past leaders. Business ownership, club or organization leadership or professional personnel are not selective categories. These are persons considered to be among the MOST INFLUENTIAL in the entire area and were involved, during the entire year, in varying degrees, in the well-being of the area, the communities and populace.

As was experienced when we prepared the 1983 list, the decisions again were tough to make. There are so many, many individuals involved. The total number of the nominees selected certainly attests to this fact. The final 100 individuals merged through careful review and examination. This outstanding group of individuals are herein shown, in alphabetical order, along with one of their fields of endeavor.



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Cranford Crawford Child Haven



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**Danny Curtis** Co-Owner **New Town Tavern** 

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