



WASHINGTON, D.C. — Mrs. Coretta Scott King presents Housing and Urban Development Secretary Samuel R. Pierce, Jr. with the original handwritten draft speech prepared by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. for delivery at his acceptance of the Nobel Peace Prize, December 10, 1964 in Oslo, Norway.

Dr. King's draft remarks will be on display indefinitely in the south lobby of the HUD Building, 451 7th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. The public is invited to view the display, Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Vice President George Bush joined Secretary Pierce and Mrs. King on March 25 for opening ceremonies of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Federal Holiday Commission Washington Office, which is located in the HUD Building. Mrs. King turned the speech draft over to the HUD Secretary on that occasion.

Ministers Alliance, Operation PUSH, NAACP Meet On King Issue

The Ministers' Alliance, Operation PUSH, and NAACP are very concerned, and we believe all people who abhor hatred and racism are concerned, that the Senate government affairs committee voted to table the Martin Luther King holiday bill; because of, "some unbelievable hate mail" that was received by the State.

This leads us to believe that either the State Senate and Governor are either afraid of the haters, or they are part of the haters, because neither are doing anything to repudiate or correct this ugly blotcy on the Nevada legislature's record. The record is set forth for the world to see exactly what the black community has been saying for years: That fear, hate and racism rules Nevada.

The black community believes that the vast majority of Nevadans are good and fair-minded people. The evidence is there because the Assembly, who are from the same districts as the Senators, overwhelmingly voted 39 to 3 to support the holiday. Then too, the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives passed the holiday for federal workers, and the President signed it into law. That doesn't argue well for those Communist allegations that the haters throw at you.

Since the holiday is not creating an additional holiday, but utilizing one of the floating holidays, where is it hurting the small counties? The costs are the same. This leads us back to the

"hate and racism issue". We hate to believe that Senators, Ann O'Connell, Nick Horn, Bob Ribinson, and Dean Rhoads are reacting and bowing to fear of haters in doing what is good and proper for the State. But what has us more concerned is, are they part of the hate group? This is a question that we need to know the answer to, because once elected, they are to represent the best interest of all the people in the State.

Also, where is the Governor? He promised two years ago that there would be a Martin Luther King holiday. Nothing ever came of the promise, even though he had the power to grant the holiday these past three years.

What is also interesting to us is that the Democrats that the black community has been so loyal to over the years, is the very group that is shunning or blocking the issue. It did not go unnoticed to us that in the assembly the majority of the "no" votes were democrats, or is it going unnoticed that the Senate is democrat and the Governor is Democrat.

If hate and racism is the rule that governs and sets policy for us in Nevada, then we and people who can't live under the rule of hate have no alternatives but to mass in the streets this summer, especially during August 5-9th, when Coretta King, Dr. Ralph Abernathy, Dr. Joseph Lowery, Benjamin Hooks, Andrew Young, Jesse Jackson, Congressman Fontroy, and other national

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them. It wouldn't encourage new businesses, or create new jobs, or help out the businesses and workers already in the neighborhood.

The president of the National Federation of Independent Business, John Sloan, says that the NFIB surveyed small business owners in 85 cities and "found taxes to be among the least of the problems for urban entrepreneurs. Far more important, especially for the labor-intensive retail and service concerns that zones must attract if they are to cut unemployment significantly, include access to capital and a qualified labor pool, immediate market viability, adequate police protection, and affordable insurance." Sloan continues: "Enterprise zones spring from a fundamentally flawed concept. Tax breaks are not an irresistible stimulus to business startups because most new companies don't make enough in the 'hostile' environments dubbed 'enterprise zones' to be able to use the incentives offered."

During hearings in 1982 on proposed zones in Boston, Royce Slayman, a businessman from the poverty area of Roxbury, spoke for a task force of black-owned small businesses when he said the proposed tax incentives would do little for young, struggling businesses. He said that big newcomers to the zone could drive out existing businesses and even displace local housing

leaders, along with 25,000 black people are expected to be here for the Progressive National Black Baptist Convention. This convention was organized as a result of Dr. King's efforts.

This situation is especially ugly to us at this time, as we are reminded by the Bitburg ceremonies, and the situation in South Africa, what bigotry and hatred can do to people.

This State cannot allow hatred to rule it.

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NOTE: The above was a statement released on Tuesday during a press conference held by the organizations listed above.

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Another problem is that there are a great many more than 75, or 300, depressed urban and rural areas. Cities and states already see the need to compete with each other for the "advantage" of not seeing businesses move out; eventually they would be clamoring for more zones to be created. The U.S. Treasury and the Senate Finance Committee estimated that the 75-zone plan would cost \$1.3 billion over the projected experiment period. With more and more zones, the costs would go up accordingly - hardly a cheap or painless road to rural and urban renewal, especially if it doesn't work.

Enterprise zones already put in place by states and cities have a poor record. A 1983 study by the Sabre Foundation, which is a strong advocate of the idea, tries to put the best light on it, but even its own figures show that the "average" zone saw 1.9 businesses start up and 1.1

businesses expand or stay put - and twenty-nine percent of the new companies found in the study are located in one building! Why zone advocates are impressed with this is hard to explain.

Curiously, the Sabre's president recognizes that "the primary deterrents to business expansion in distressed communities are not taxes and regulations." He proposes such measures as giving the titles of streets and buildings to neighborhood organizations to encourage communities to run their own services and fight crime - a very different concept from that of selective tax breaks.

Problems of unemployment and urban blight are complex - and the sooner we all realize that there is no quick fix, the sooner we'll be able to carry out the mix of sensible public and private initiatives - job training, job creation, tenant-owned housing, education, church leadership, low-interest loans

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cupations, in involuntary part-time positions, and in troubled industries being hit by import competition.

And despite the booming economy, factory employment still lags and Americans are losing traditional opportunities for low and moderate-skill jobs in industry.

Rather than simply assuming there's no unemployment problem, then, it makes more sense to confront the facts and design an approach to creating true full employment -- with full-time opportunities for people who traditionally suffer high unemployment, and for those displaced by the permanent downturn in manufacturing.

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