The LAS VEGAS SENTINEL-VOICE

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"Where do we go from here? Nonviolence: A Blueprint for Life" was the theme for this year's national King Week '92 Celebration. And the Blueprint is taking 'new direction".

On January 17th in Atlanta, The King Center shared with corporate friends its plans for charting a new course for keeping the "dream alive" though a new program, aptly named "New Direction." "The call for a "New Direction" at the King Center is an honest effort to take stock of where we have been and where we are going," said Mrs. Coretta Scott King, president and CEO of The King Center. Under the guidance of Executive Director Ronald Quincy and four new division directors, this national and international program will focus on three central missions of research, education and training in Kingian nonviolence, and community services. At the celebration dinner announcing The King Center's "New Direction"

program, Elynor Williams, vice president of public responsibility presented a \$25,000 gift to Mrs. King on behalf of the corporation and its chairman, John Bryan. "We have long respected the work of Mrs. King and the Center and will continue

to support its commitment to a nonviolent future," said Ms. Williams. Mrs. King thanked Sara Lee for its on-going support including its leadership in a recent campaign to raise \$150,000 for The King Center.

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REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION OF CLARK COUNTY



SOLICITATION OF OFFERS TO PURCHASE OR LEASE REAL PROPERTY The Clark County Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) is seeking property proposals for a transit maintenance facility.

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The Property Should Be:

- 25 to 50 acres
- located within the preferred shaded area

A Complete Submittal Must Include Offical Documentation From Respective Entities:

- on parcel size
- that property offered has been master planned or zoned appropriately for this use
 on the availability of sewer, water, gas,
- electricity and telephone service
- that the property is not in a floodplain
- on existing easments

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Also Include:

- an assessor's map and parcel number
- a plat, aerial or other map displaying the exact location of the property & orientation in the Las Vegas Valley

Proposals will be accepted by the Regional Transportation Commission commencing March 1st, 1992 until 5:00 p.m. Thursday, April 30th, 1992

For more information, please call: REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION 301 EAST CLARK AVENUE #300 LAS VEGAS, NEVADA 89101 (702) 455-4481

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(Organizer) By Gwen Walker Prince Hall was born in Barbados at Bridgetown on Sept. 12, 1748 of a mixed union. His father was the Englishman, Thomas Prince Hall and

AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY

PRINCE HALL

Surviving drawings of Hall indicate that he was small, light-skinned and very probably wore his hair in a pony-tail.

his mother was a free Black

woman of French Lineage.

At the age of seventeen in 1765, Hall worked his way on a boat to Boston from Bridgetown, Barbados. He was to become important in Black Affairs, and completely devoted to the cause in spite of his mixed-blood ancestry.

He was very sympathetic to other Blacks and felt that one of the best ways for improving their condition was through mutual cooperations or <u>Ujaama</u> (cooperative economics.) Hall become a Methodist Minister.

Prince Hall fought in the Revolutionary War along with other Blacks - Pomp Fisk, Epheram Blackman, Ceasar Dickerson, Primus Black, Crispus attacks and some 5000 more.

Three months before the war Prince Hall was initiated with fourteen other Blacks into the Masons by a British military Lodge at the time quartered in Boston.

He had long desired to learn "the secrets of Free Masonry," and was well on his way to become a Master Mason.

Prince Hall was the first ever to attempt braganizing black people into unitary structures. In his effort to organize his first lodge he was rebuffed. All of his petitions were denied. He proceeded to obtain a charter from England directly.

He was successful in 1787 and organized the African Lodge No. 459. Hall was installed as the Grand Master. Because Hall did not learn to read and write until he was twenty-seven yearold, his written statement did not appear until 1792 and are reprinted in <u>Early Negro American Writers</u> (Benjamin Brawley Editor 1935 and again in 1935 in <u>Early Negro</u> writing 1760-1837 by Dorothy Porter. Hall also worked with others to raise funds for court cases, protested against taxation without representation, and was an unsung hero.

Prince Hall died Dec. 7 1807 and is buried in Boston in a wellmarked grave which is also a monument



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The 64 member King Committee is asking community groups, schools, churches, and individuals to sponsor at least one event during March to Build for the future of African-Americans. For information or membership on the Martin Luther King Jr. Committee contact Deloris Sawyer at 438-9134 or P.O. Box 4866 Las Vegas, NV 89127.

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