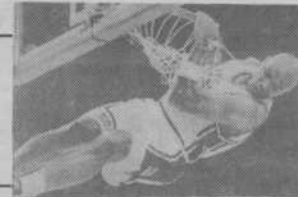


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"THE TRUTH SHALL SET YOU FREE"

LEADERS QUESTION REGULATION THAT SLOWS PETITION DRIVE DMV AND POLICE AGENCIES CRITICIZED AT RALLY

By Lee Brown

The Department of Motor Vehicles and local police agencies were criticized Tuesday by community leaders and activists for slowing a petition drive to establish a citizens review board to oversee the Metropolitan Police Department.

Speakers from various African-American Organizations rallied in front of the Department of Motor Vehicles on East Sahara Avenue just before noon to support Dr. James S. Tate Jr., head of the local branch of the National Alliance Against Racist and Political Repression, and his efforts to get the issue of the Civilian Control Board on the November ballot.

After being served a citation on June 6 for stepping out of the designated boundaries established at DMV while gathering signatures for the petition (See Las Vegas Sentinel-Voice June 25 cover story), Tate was arrested by Nevada Highway Patrol troopers last Saturday for trespassing while, again, gathering signatures.

According to Tate, he and other signature gatherers were standing outside of the restricted area, an area, he said he was told by officials, that

was not off-limits, when he was arrested. "The police department is out of control," Tate said.

"Only the Legislature makes these types of rules and regulations," said Rev. Jesse Scott, president of the local NAACP, adding, "Dr. Tate has a right to be here regardless of his philosophy."

Tate went on to add that the situation is not a black and white issue, but an issue solely based on establishing a civilian control board. "They (Metro) have been murdering citizens; brutalizing them; both black and white.

Rev. Willie Davis, pastor of Second Baptist Church labeled DMV as a hypocritical and bigoted operation, referring to the fact that employees ask you if you want to register to vote when you walk inside the building.

"We're citizens and taxpayers. It's wrong," he said.

Sharon Sexton of the Black Cultural Awareness Society of Southern Nevada, reaffirmed Dr. Tate's thoughts of the issue not being Black v.s. White.

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Supporters of a proposed citizen's control board came out to hear Dr. James Tate explain the circumstances surrounding his arrest this past weekend at the DMV. Photo by Savoy/LVS-Voice

ASSEMBLYMAN WILLIAMS TO INTRODUCE NEW LEGISLATION REGARDING NEVADA GAMING CONTROL BOARD LICENSING POLICIES

Before officially announcing his re-election campaign Tuesday at union headquarters, State Assemblyman Wendell P. Williams announced his intention to introduce legislation during the next session of the Nevada Legislature to address the need for the Nevada Gaming Control Board to broaden the areas of consideration when assess-

ing the suitability of new and existing persons and businesses.

"The necessity of this legislation has been highlighted during the past 10 months by the labor strike at the Frontier Hotel at the heart of the Las Vegas Strip. The inappropriate and destructive

(See Williams, Page 5)

PBWA TO HONOR BETTY BROWN WITH HUMANITARIAN AWARD

The Professional Black Women's Alliance recently announced it will honor Mrs. Betty Brown with the organizations Humanitarian Award, during their upcoming 6th Annual Rose Award Program.

Mrs. Brown, who has been fighting cancer for the past two years, is President of Brown Publishing Co., Inc., and Publisher of the Las Vegas Sentinel-Voice, the city's only African-American newspaper.

Mrs. Brown, an education and music student, and 1946 Magna Cum Lauda graduate of Bennett College in Greensboro, North Carolina, also attended Ohio State University for two years before becoming the first music therapist at Tuskegee Veterans Hospital in Tuskegee, Alabama.

She later worked for 10 years at St. Elizabeths Hospital in Washington D.C., and 5 years at Lyon's Veterans Hospital in New Jersey, before moving to Las Vegas in 1974, where she worked at the Las Vegas Mental Health Center.

Finally, in 1980, she and her husband Ed Brown, then V.P. and General Manager of KVOV Radio, the city's only Black Radio Station, left their respective positions to start the Las Vegas Sentinel-Voice newspaper.

Through their hard work and dedication the Sentinel-Voice has survived through the years to remain Nevada's only African-American newspaper.

The 6th Annual Rose Awards presentation will be held in the Pyramid Room of the Dunes Hotel at 7 p.m. on July 25, 1992, and is a program whereby twenty-two women of color will be recognized and honored for their achievements in the Las Vegas community.



BETTY BROWN



Flanked by Culinary Union President Hattie Canty (L) and the union's Secretary-Treasurer Jim Arnold, Assemblyman Wendell P. Williams, District 6-D, introduces gaming legislation to a full room of union supporters.

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