

CULINARY UNION ATTENDS CAESAR CHAVEZ FUNERAL

More than 25,000 mourners gathered in the dusty California farm town of Delano on April 29 to pay their last respects to Caesar Chavez, the founder of the United Farm Workers Union who did in his sleep on April 22 in Arizona.

Mourners trudged along as groups of pall-bearers shared the task of carrying a simple pine

coffin. They marched for more than 2 1/2 hours to Forty Acres, where the union was founded in 1962 by Chavez.

An assortment of farm workers, labor celebrities and other supporters of "La Causa" joined the procession.

Culinary Union Secretary-Treasurer Jim Arnold and union Representative Aurelio Carrillo

traveled from Las Vegas to attend the funeral. "Caesar Chavez was one of the greatest labor leaders to have ever lived," said Arnold. "Caesar's passing is a loss not just to farm workers but to the entire labor movement. We had the privilege of having him in Las Vegas on several occasions, during the 1984 strike and most recently, to support



Culinary Union Secretary-Treasurer Jim Arnold joined Rev. Jesse Jackson during the carrying of the casket of United Farm Workers leader Caesar Chavez.

FARRAKHAN ASSISTANT TO SPEAK

The national assistant to the Honorable Louis Farrakhan, Dr. Khalid Abdul Muhammad, will be in Las Vegas this weekend to speak on, "MALCOLM X: The Man, His Message, His Mentor, and

His Murder!"

Who killed Malcolm X? Did his pilgrimage to Mecca change his life? Does the movie tell the real story? These questions and more will be answered Saturday, May 8th at 5:00 p.m. at the

Doolittle Center (West Lake Mead and "J" Street). Doors open at 4:00 p.m., and admission is free. For more information call: The Final Call, 647-0414. This event is sponsored by the Nation of Islam.

SENATOR CAROL MOSELY-BRAUN SEES ENCOURAGING PROSPECTS FOR CHANGE: URGES COALITION BUILDING

WASHINGTON, DC — Senator Carol Mosely-Braun, the first Black woman United States Senator, told 1,500 guests recently that "prospects for meaningful change that can bring real improvement to people's lives, are greater now than at any time since the days of the New Deal."

The keynote speaker for the Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies' Annual Dinner at the Washington Hilton, Sen. Mosely-Braun said: "I feel especially blessed to be here at this critical time in our nation's history."

The senator cited several reasons for her optimism during her well-received address: the new administration-proposed programs; the increase in Black elected officials; her own election to the senate from Illinois, and the effectiveness of the Joint Center in keeping "the issues of concern to Black America front and center in the public policy arena."

"The days of writing off one segment of the population or of the world are over," Sen. Mosely-Braun said. "As we invest in public education, we prepare our children for global economic competition. As we invest in cities, we end the tragic waste of both money and talent that now sees one Black male in four either in jail or on probation."

Noting Illinois' African American population of less than 12 percent, Sen. Mosely-Braun told the guests: "I won my election with 55 percent of the vote, by plurality of more than half a million. What that suggests is that the time may be upon us to make the leap in our relations as a people. A leap



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to the time when we can come together as one people to make the dream of our democracy more a reality than at any time in our history."

George L. Knox III, Vice President, Public Affairs, Philip Morris Companies Inc., said his company was pleased to join in support of the Joint Center, "an institution that has proven vital to the nation as the top African American-led think tank on politics and on economics."

At the Philip Morris-sponsored pre-dinner reception, Knox remarked: "The choice of Sen. Mosely-Braun as keynote speaker proves once more the Joint Center's effectiveness in helping us all to better understand the dynamics and trends of our changing world."

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RTC AND LVTS REACH AGREEMENT

The Regional Transportation Commission of Clark County (Commission, or RTC) and Las Vegas Transit System, Inc. (LVTS) last Tuesday, announced that a settlement has been reached between LVTS and the RTC for the termination of transit service by LVTS.

Following extensive discussion, negotiators for both parties have reached an agreement which will be presented to the Commission for approval prior to the action being final. A

Special Public Meeting was called for in the County Commission Chambers.

Both parties expressed their satisfaction with the outcome of negotiations, stating that they felt the terms of the agreement represented compromise from both entities, and were in the best interest of the public and the existing LVTS employees.

"We feel this agreement represents a permanent resolution of the matter of both the RTC's Citizens Area Transit

(CAT) and Las Vegas Transit System, Inc., operating a mass transit system," stated Bruce Woodbury, RTC Chairman. "This settlement ensures that CAT will be able to maximize ridership revenue from the resort corridor, thereby minimizing the tax burden for both residents and tourists. The voluntary settlement is preferable to what could have been a costly and lengthy litigation during which CAT would have been compet-

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