



# Minorities disagree on proposed ward boundaries

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 Minorities expressed dismay during a public forum Tuesday on the city's redistricting effort, saying they wished that retired Wisconsin Judge Frederick Kessler involved them more in the process.  
 Kessler spoke for 90 minutes on the difficulty on redistricting Las Vegas, praising the city as one of the nation's most integrated.

He also highlighted the data he employed in proposing new ward boundaries and discussed the procedures he used in drawing up his plan.  
 Under Kessler's plan, each ward would have between 76,000 and 79,000 residents. All districts would be majority white. Blacks would comprise 30 percent of the new Ward 5, which encompasses much of Old

*Louis Overstreet, African-American Political Action Committee member, said the proposed "turkey head" boundary might not pass legal muster.*



West Las Vegas. Hispanics would comprise 25 percent of Ward 3, whose representative in Councilman Gary Reese.

The proposed boundaries would take effect Jan. 1, 2000.  
 Until then, several contentious issues will have

to be addressed, including settling the issue concerning Fremont Street which was used as a dividing line to separate Wards 3 and 5. Several blacks have advocated removing the turkey head-shaped expanse of Ward 3 land jutting into Ward 5 and containing downtown property south of Fremont Street. Black advocates contend Kessler didn't remain true to his effort

to create "clean cuts" for the wards.  
 Louis Overstreet, a member of the subcommittee of the African-American Political Action Committee, referred to a 1993 case, Shaw vs. Reno 509 U.S. 630, to back his group's claim that the odd-shaped district be redrawn. The case addressed the need for districts to be contiguous and  
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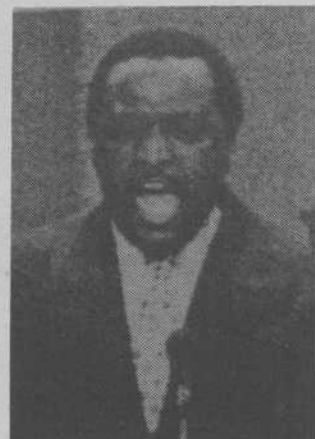
*Lennox Lewis promised to beat Evander Holyfield convincingly in their championship rematch. Boxing pundits said Lewis won the first fight at the Madison Square Garden*

## Lewis-Holyfield rematch likely

LAS VEGAS (AP) — After months of haggling, the heavyweight title unification rematch between Lennox Lewis and Evander Holyfield is finally set, according to a spokesman for promoter Don King.  
 "The fight is a go for Nov. 13," said Greg Fritz, of Don King Productions.  
 Panos Eliades, Lewis' promoter, said virtually the same thing Friday in London, but added then that a ticket allocation had to be worked out.  
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## Keyes wins Alabama straw poll

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP) — The few who came, prospered, in Alabama's first ever Republican straw poll.  
 Talk show host Alan Keyes won the non-binding ballot with Sen. Orrin Hatch of Utah finishing second and Texas Gov. George Bush, front-runner in the national race for the presidential nomination, third. Keyes, Hatch and Florida education advocate Angel Rocker were the only candidates who came.  
 "The only people showing up are the candidates with no chance of being elected," said



ALAN KEYES

Merle Black, a political scientist at Emory University in Atlanta. "That diminishes the straw poll."

Gary Bauer was fourth, Elizabeth Dole fifth and Steve Forbes sixth.  
 Keyes pulled 29 percent, Hatch 27 percent, and Bush 25 percent. The other seven candidates were in single digits.  
 Keyes' victory came after a stirring speech in which he encouraged delegates to vote their true feelings and not go with Bush just because he's popular.  
 "If you keep voting for people who are vague on the issues important to this country, you will be defeated  
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## Federal judge gives Muhammad greenlight for second youth march

*Frank Lombardi and Corky Siemaszko*  
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 A broad cross-section of New Yorkers Tuesday denounced the Million Youth March II, including the federal judge who gave organizer Khalid Abdul Muhammad the go-ahead to take his hate message to Harlem.  
 "Many of their statements are bigoted, hateful, violent and frightening," Judge Denny Chin wrote in his decision.  
 "The right to free speech,



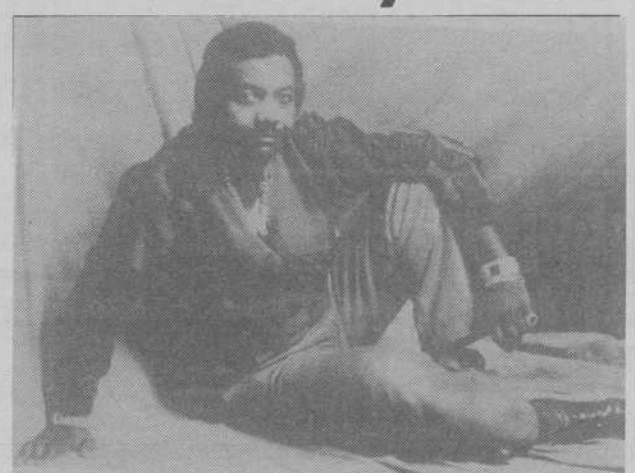
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however, applies not only to politically correct statements but also to statements with

which we may disagree and, indeed, abhor."  
 This is the second year in a row a federal court forced the city to allow the march, which last year included speakers making anti-white, anti-Jewish statements and ended in a brief melee after police moved in minutes after the event was supposed to end.  
 Black leaders, who had for weeks condemned Muhammad's anti-Semitic and racist rhetoric, called on their constituents to boycott  
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## House of Blues hosts holiday festival

*Special to Sentinel-Voice*  
 Get ready for the Las Vegas Labor Day Weekend Blues Festival.  
 Set for Sunday at the House of Blues inside the Mandalay Bay Hotel and Casino, the festival will feature a who's who of blues showstoppers. Among them: Tyrone Davis, Big Daddy and the Chicago Blues Boys, Charlie Love, Guitar Mac and Don Haney and the Street Blues Band.



TYRONE DAVIS

Davis, who is headlining the event, began his musical career in 1968, recording "Turn Back the Hands of Time." In 1978, he recorded a 10-minute version of "Get On Up and Disco" and the ballad "In the Mood."  
 Haney, a noted Los Angeles blues man, has been nominated twice as that city's best guitar player

at the L.A. Music Awards, and Mac is in the blues Hall of Fame.  
 Las Vegas-based Spintone Entertainment is sponsoring the event.  
 Spintone promoter Blair Mitchell said ticket sales were "going pretty good" and called Las Vegas a city ripe for an upbeat blues scene.  
 "I've been here five and a

half years. Last year we did a benefit concert for Mothers Against Violence in Schools at Sunset Park. We plan to do this latest festival every year," Mitchell said.  
 Tickets are \$28 and \$32 and available at the House of Blues box office and at all Ticketmaster locations.  
 For into call 632-7600.