801 Bolivar Street Montgomer, Alabama 3610h April 25, 1971

Dear Citizen:

In order to help coordinate leadership to get out the vote in the General Election, several of us are taking the initiative to organize a POLITICAL EDUCATION AND POLITICAL ACTION WORSHOP. This worshop will be conducted by people like yourself—even you—if you will come in and help us. The workshop will be held at the Whitley Hotel, Saturday, May 1, 1971 beginning promptly at 10:00 A.M. It will be a two hour session to end at 12:00 noon.

With certain strategy being initiated to weaken the black vote by dividing us and keeping us from the polls, it is vitally necessary that we seriously consider how to get a larger turn out at the polls on election day. Already, we have played an important part in partially electing a mayor for the city of Montgomery. We must finish the task and we can with conserted effort. It will mean much to you as an individual and a great deal to our race as a group. It is up to us to help elect a mayor who will be concerned with the welfare of all the people.

We are looking forward to seeing you at the Whitley, Saturday, May 1, at 10:00 A.M.

Yours for a greater Montgomery,

Rufus A. Lewis

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Your announced candidacy for an elected position on the City Commission is of vital interest to the voters of this community. The Screening committee and the voters of the minority group of this city are interested in this election, and those seeking elected positions on the governing authority of this city. We are aware of the fact that too often in the past the minority group has not been accorded the advantages and benefits enjoyed by others; you are invited before this Committee to give us a commitment on policies and administrative orders which you will enact and follow that will determine the extent to which we will enjoy the benefits under organized political control.

Therefore, this committee makes the following inquiries to ascertain your stand on them. Over those which you have jurisdiction, will you execute or propose, what action of the committee is needed to put them into action? Will you cooperate with those falling under the jurisdiction of your colleagues when proposed by them?

The following program is presented to ascertain your position on those areas of municipal government which we would like you to state your position and willingness to support or initiate:

- 1. What is your program for parks, recreation, and playgrounds for our city? Will you support a program that will provide adequately for these facilities? Do you favor a municipal golf coure?
- 2. Do you favor open housing and occupancy in multiple housing units as well as in single private homes?

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Information to help you cast your vote

- This is the first time-the Republican and the Democrat political parties are having a primary election together in Montgomery.
- Vote for candidates in only one of the political parties.
- 3. You will be asked what political party you are voting? Your answer is Democrat.
- 4. If you need help in voting, you may request a friend or a neighbor who has not given aid to any other voter or you may request two officials at the voting booth to help you.
- If you need a baby sitter or a ride to the voting booth call these telephone numbers for assistance: 262-1784 or 262-5735.

Compliments of Montgomery County Democratic Conference, Rufus A. Lewis, Chairman.

April 27,

Fellow Democrat,

Candidates were screened by a committee, representing a cross section of our people. We listened to their platforms, studied their background, observed their attitudes and came to the conclusion that those candidates whose names are marked will best serve the needs of our community.

If all of us vote solidely for these candidates we believe

they will be elected.

We are not dictating to you how to vote, but only suggesting to you the power of the ballot when there is <u>unity</u>.

Respectfully: Submitted

Rufus A. Lewis, Chairman Alabama Democrátic Conference

P. S. Be sure to vote. Your vote is the one that counts.

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