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October 3, 1966

Mr. R. Dillard Teer
43 Beverly Drive
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Teer:

A situation of juvenile delinquency that exists in the West End Community (the section of Gerard, Kent, Estes and Jackson Streets) has been brought to the attention of the Steering Committee of the Durham Community Planning Council with the request that some action be taken to alleviate this situation. This situation was brought to our attention by Major William B. Julian of the Durham Police Department, who related that he had been informed that the neighborhood children (ages 9 to 16) have banded together to form gangs--Aces, Spades, and Whips--for the purposes of petty thievery, sexual activity, purse snatching, etc. Meetings of these gangs are held at someone's house while the adults are at work. Major Julian had been informed that it was the desire of some of the members to get out of these gangs and have a better life for themselves. Thought was given to the establishment of recreational facilities for this area.

The Steering Committee discussed this matter fully at its meeting on September 20, 1966, and felt that it was a worthy request that should be honored and dealt with by some appropriate means. Several Committee members observed that here was a local group, trying to help themselves and we should help them in this effort. Suggested was the formation of a Task Force with representatives from churches in the area, together with other community agencies, to work out a plan for meeting these needs. At the Steering Committee meeting a motion was carried that the churches of the community be asked to cooperate in taking leadership in establishing a Task Force to study this situation with a view towards correcting this problem.

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Mr. J. William
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James, North Carolina

A situation of juvenile delinquency that exists in the West End Community (the section of Newark, Jersey and Jackson Streets) has been brought to the attention of the Steering Committee of the West End Community. It is suggested that some action be taken to alleviate this situation. This situation was brought to our attention by Major William J. Nelson of the Newark Police Department, who related that he had been informed that the neighborhood children (ages 10 to 16) have banded together to form gangs—Jocks, Spooks, and others—for the purpose of petty thievery, social activity, worse enacting, etc. Members of these gangs are held at someone's house while the adults are at work. Major Nelson had been informed that it was the desire of some of the parents to get out of the area and have a better life for themselves. There was also a suggestion of establishment of recreational facilities for this area.

The Steering Committee discussed this matter during its meeting on September 29, 1950, and felt that it was a worthy request that should be granted and dealt with in some appropriate manner. Several Committee members agreed that there was a local group of parents who had been formed and we should help them in this effort. It was suggested that the formation of a force with representatives from churches in the area, together with other community agencies, to work out a plan for meeting these needs. At the Steering Committee meeting a motion was carried that the members of the community be asked to cooperate in taking leadership in establishing a force to study this situation with a view to its correction.

Mr. E. J. ...
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I am sure that these problems, which I mention, have been and are being
sent to you. Could we submit your report in sending a representative to
a meeting for this purpose?

Sincerely,



Walter J. ...
Executive Director

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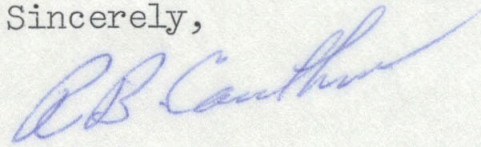
cc: Rev. W. E. ...
Methodist Church

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I am sure that these problems, which I mention, have been and are of concern to you. Could we enlist your support in sending a representative to a meeting for this purpose?

Sincerely,



Ralph B. Cauthen
Executive Director

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cc: Rev. W. B. Petteway, Duke Memorial Methodist Church