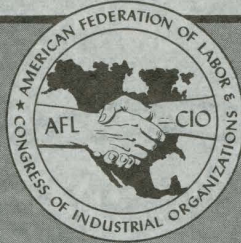


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Rev. Baxton Bryant, Executive Director  
Tennessee Council on Human Relations  
818 - 17th Avenue South  
Nashville, Tennessee 37203

Dear Baxton:

I have just finished reading the minutes of the annual meeting of the TCHR in Chattanooga on January 27-28 and your latest newsletter.

I am sorry you were unfortunate enough to be among the several dozen citizens who were victims of the spraying of mace by the Memphis police in one of the demonstrations in support of the Sanitation Department employees on strike in Memphis. However, you can be sure I personally appreciate your sympathetic interest and personal identification with the cause of these workers, and I am sure the Memphis AFL-CIO Council and the State, County and Municipal Employees are also grateful to you and Mr. Lawson and Mr. Turner for your constructive efforts.

With kindest personal regards and very best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

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