

Black United Front To Fight Injustice

Demonstrating an unprecedented solidarity within the Black community, representatives of more than forty (40) Detroit organizations joined with a number of private citizens to announce a concerted drive against police oppression on Tuesday, April 1, 1969.

The group, which has identified itself as the **BLACK UNITED FRONT (BUF)** symbolizes the solidified concern against police action at New Bethel Baptist Church on Saturday night, March 29, 1969.

DAN ALDRIDGE, widely known activist, member of the All-African People's Union and of the National Staff of SNCC, was named Acting Chairman by acclamation as more than 200 persons gathered at the Architects Building, Cass at Brainard, Tuesday night.

"We are not involving ourselves now in a discussion about who fired the first shot Saturday night," Aldridge said.

"We are concerned with the unexcusable conduct of a police force who indiscriminantly fired into a church and upon defenseless women and children."

"We are also concerned about the complete disregard of the constitutional rights of Black citizens and the subsequent castigation of Recorder's Court Judge George Crockett by the mass media and the police department. He is a duly elected representative of the people, who acted in accordance with the constitution and sought to protect the rights of the

people."

"We don't intend to stand by and allow continual disregard of citizens rights as was demonstrated in the inexcusable firing upon women and children in the New Bethel Baptist Church and the willful destruction of property for which Black people have given their life blood to attain."

"This solidarity of Black citizens stems from the indignation at the continued demonstration of racism not only on the part of members of the police department but on the part of the Prosecutor in his attempt to usurp the authority of Judge Crockett."

THE BLACK COMMUNITY IS GIVING NOTICE THAT IT CANNOT STAND BY AND TOLERATE THIS CONTINUED DISREGARD OF ITS RIGHTS.

BLACK UNITED FRONT — Members
All African People's Union

Association of Black Students, Wayne State Univ.

Association of Black Social Workers

Art Centre Development

International Afro-American Museum

Berea Methodist Church

New Calvary Baptist Church

Black Panther Party

Citizens For Community Control of Schools

L. E. S. C. R. O.

IFCO

Guardians—Black Police Officers

For Equal Justice

Denmark Vesey Society

Office of Congressman Charles Diggs

Outcry

Afro Club—Central High School

Black Student Voice

Ashanti Corporation

South End

Youth Development, Inc.

Brothers & Sisters United

Black Conscience Library

Spain Junior High Afro Club

Frederick Douglas Gun Club

Black Club For Unity

Moors

Eastside Voice of Independent Detroit (ESVID)

Ghetto Speaks—Newspaper

League of Revolutionary Black Workers

Black Teachers Workshop

Neco

North Woodward Interfaith

Concept East Theater

Wolverine Student Lawyers Association

Urban Design, Inc.

West Central Organization (W. C. O.)

P. E. P.

Black Caucus of MCHRD

Eastside Tenants Union

United Black Appeal

Black Student Ass'n Northeastern High School

Black Liberators of King High School

State Representative James Del Rio