

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

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Dear Friend:

At the recent Annual Convention of the NAACP in New York City, the Convention delegates voted unanimously to call upon members and units of the Association to give top priority to a nation-wide voter registration campaign promoted by the NAACP. Up to this time, the NAACP, from a voter registration campaign headquarters in Richmond, Virginia, has conducted an intensive drive for three million Negro voters in the South by the time of the 1960 election. This is an imperative goal. It is equally imperative also that this drive be extended to the Northern states where Negro voters in a tight national election still maintain the balance of power.

In order to develop a community-wide voter registration campaign in Detroit, we are calling an exploratory meeting of community leadership people in various fields of activity to be held on Tuesday, September 8, 1959 at 8 P.M. in the McGregor Memorial Center, Rm. B, on the Wayne State University campus located at Second and Ferry Park.

A special guest of the meeting will be Mr. John M. Brooks, National Director of the NAACP Voter Registration Campaign.

We hope that you will make every effort to participate in this important meeting so that we may begin now to build the kind of voter registration program which will have a far-reaching effect on the 1960 elections in this area.

Sincerely yours,

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