HOW CORE VIEWS THE FAIR:

SYMBOL OF AMERICAN HYPOCRISY

From all over the nation—from Mississippi, from Louisiana, from California, from Maryland, from Florida, from Illinois, from Missouri, from New York and Massachusetts CORE chapters have brought their grievances to the World’s Fair. We contrast the real world of discrimination and brutality experienced by Negroes, North and South, with the fantasy world of progress and abundance shown in the official pavilions. For every new car we submit a cattle prod, for every chromium-plated decoration we submit the charred remains of an Alabama church and for the great steel Unisphere we submit our bodies—from all over this country—as witnesses to the tragedy of the Northern ghetto, as witnesses to the horror of Southern inhumanity and legalized brutality.

CORE DEMANDS FROM:

MISSISSIPPI—An end to killing, an end to brutality, the simple right to vote for disenfranchised Negroes, equal representation at the National political conventions... in two words, FREEDOM—NOW!

MARYLAND—A new public accommodations law that does not endorse segregation in public bars and restaurants that do more than 51% of their business in liquor. NEGROES CAN BE SERVED HERE AT THE WORLD’S FAIR—BUT NOT IN THE STATE OF MARYLAND.

NEW YORK STATE—A $1.50 minimum wage, integrated low-cost urban renewal, an end to hiring discrimination in public utilities, state-wide rent control, state-wide quality integrated education, state-wide civilian police review boards.

LOUISIANA—The right to vote, the right to live without fear, the right to eat, live and breathe where we please. An end to police brutality, an end to cattle prods, pistol-whippings and murder. AN END TO SLAVERY!

ILLINOIS—An end to Chicago’s rat-strewn ghetto schools, jobs for everyone without regard to color, integrated low-cost, well-constructed new housing—and an end to police brutality THAT WALKS THE Ghetto STREETS BOTH DAY AND NIGHT.

FLORIDA—The right to vote, an end to outright segregation and exclusion in public accommodations. A FLORIDA “PARADISE” FOR ALL.

NEW ENGLAND—Fair housing in Boston! Fair employment throughout New England! A viable plan for the creation of a quality, integrated school system.

MISSOURI—A state-wide fair employment and public accommodations law. Our people have been arrested, publicly denounced and subjected to fantastically excessive sentences in St. Louis. THIS PAVILLION SYMBOLIZES A LACK OF FREEDOM IN THE MIDDLE WEST.

SCHAEFER BEER—The Schaefer Beer Company is being boycotted in protest of their flagrant discrimination in hiring. BOYCOTT THEIR PAVILLION IN SYMPATHY WITH HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS WHO WON’T DRINK JIM CROW SCHAEFER BEER.

GENERAL MOTORS AND FORD—An end to employment discrimination at Ford and General Motors plants and showrooms away from the city of Detroit.

THE UGLY SPECTRE OF BIGOTRY AND DISCRIMINATION THROUGHOUT THIS NATION MAKES THIS WORLD’S FAIR BOTH LUDICROUS AND HYPOCRITICAL. THE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS IT COST MUST BE MEASURED AGAINST THE 22 MILLION AMERICAN NEGROES LIVING IN THE AGONY OF FIFTH-CLASS CITIZENSHIP BOTH NORTH AND SOUTH.

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