TO: ALL MISSISSIPPI SUMMER PROJECT VOLUNTEERS

FROM: THE FREEDOM DEMOCRATIC PARTY

We need your help. We are having a Freedom Vote October 31 and November 1 and 2, in which all Mississippians over 21 can vote. Aaron Henry is running for Senate, Mrs. Hamer for Congress in the Delta, Mrs. Annie Devine in the 4th District and Mrs. Victoria Gray in the 5th District. For future challenges against the Regular Democratic Party of Mississippi, we must get more votes in the Freedom vote than the incumbents get in the regular election. Therefore we are calling for 250-500 volunteers to work in the state from Oct. 18-Nov. 3.

A more detailed description of the Freedom Vote is included in the material accompanying this letter. Since returning from the Convention we have been able to strengthen our position all across the state, and in particular local leadership has become much more important and much better organized. We will follow the Freedom Vote with a new challenge. We will try to have nullified the elections of the regular Democratic Party candidates for Senate and House. If that fails we will try to have the Democratic caucus strip the Mississippi representatives of their seniority - 9/10 of their real power. That is why we must get more votes for the Freedom candidates for Senate and House than the Regular candidates get.

If you can return to Mississippi for either Oct. 18-26, Oct. 26-Nov. 3, or both weeks, please fill out the two application forms and take them to the nearest Friends of SNCC office. Only if there is no office in your area should you send applications directly to Jackson. Those who have not been in Mississippi before will be interviewed. Those who have been in Mississippi must still complete the application forms and forward them through the Friends of SNCC offices. This will help us coordinate the recruiting, transportation and orientation of volunteers. Arrangements will be similar to the summer. Transportation to and from Mississippi and money for food must be provided by the volunteer; housing will be provided by the FDP together with COFO. Volunteers must make their own arrangements to provide bond money. Arrests during the Freedom Vote are likely to be very frequent.

The Freedom Vote is the most important happening in Mississippi in the next few weeks. You must help. If you cannot come, find another responsible person who can.

FDP
852 1/2 Short St.
Jackson, Mississippi
APPLICATION FOR WORK ON THE FREEDOM VOTE

Name_________________________ Age________ Birth Date________ Race______

Home Address______________________ ________ Address_________ __________ Phone________

Father's Name______________________ Address_________ __________ Phone________

Mother's Name______________________ Address_________ __________ Phone________

Describe your present job or status and program in school__________________________

School Address________________________

List the social, fraternal, political, collegiate, community and other organizations to which you belong: ________________________________________________________________

List briefly any special skills (typing, photography, etc.)__________________________

Do you have a car you could use during your stay in Mississippi? ______

I can work in Mississippi from Oct. 18 - 26, Oct. 26 - Nov. 3 ______

I can arrange my own bail money _________. Both ______

If under 21, enclosed please find parental consent).____

Describe briefly the civil rights activities you have participated in. ____________________________

If you have ever been arrested, give place, date, charge and status of case. ________________________

If you have not worked in Mississippi before, on a separate sheet please make some statement you feel would help us decide whether you should work in Mississippi.

Signature_________________________ Date________________

Return this application at earliest possible date to: Robert Weil

FDP 652 ½ Short St.

All applications must be received by Oct. 11. Jackson, Miss.