

MICHIGAN COMMITTEE AGAINST REPRESSION
23 East Adams Ave.-- Detroit, Mich. 48226

May 18, 1970

Honorable Roman S. Gribbs
Mayor of the City of Detroit
2 Woodward Avenue
Detroit, Michigan 48226

Dear Mr. Mayor:

The Michigan Committee Against Repression is deeply concerned about the rising number of arrests, beatings and other repressive measures which have been taken against members of the National Committee to Combat Facism (organizing bureau of the Black Panther Party) by the Detroit Police Department.

In view of more than 25 such cases which have been brought to our attention, which we have documented, we feel the matter has reached the point of urgency.

We are, therefore, insisting that you, as the City's Chief Executive, arrange a meeting with us this week to discuss this very grave issue, hopefully, to arrive at a solution to what we feel is rapidly growing into a frightening situation in our town.

Anticipating an early reply, we remain

Very truly yours,

John Conyers, Member of Congress
Coleman Young, State Senator
Jackie Vaughn, State Representative
Paul Silver, UAW Representative
Father John Nolan, Archdiocese
Harvey Selling, Council of Churches
Jack Faxon, State Representative
Marc Stepp, UAW Representative
Dr. John Forsythe

Frank Angel
Nadine Brown, Mich. Chronicle
Tom Turner, NAACP President
Dr. Jesse Goodwin, NAACP
Mrs. Annetta Miller, ADA
Mrs. Claudia Morcom, Attorney
Al Fishman, NDC
Dean Robb, Attorney
Mrs. Marianne Mahassey