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Mr. Jack Walsh, Supervisor 1st Dist.
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We look forward to your continued support of the Human Relations Commission.

Very truly yours,

Dick Berry, President

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It seems this is exactly the type of help that HRC is supposed to give to the community and community organizations. They did it and did it well, and CURE feels you should know it.

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Sincerely,

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cc: James Fukumoto