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The Hottest Talk

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Jim Rouse

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Vote For Rouse

May Primary 2000

A Vote For Jim Rouse is a vote for the future

Paid For By The Committee to Elect Jim Rouse to State House

A Letter to the Editor

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What does the Law Say ?

•The law does not give any ad hoc committee the privilege or the authority to recommend to the Board of County Commissioners with whom to fill vacancies on the Board

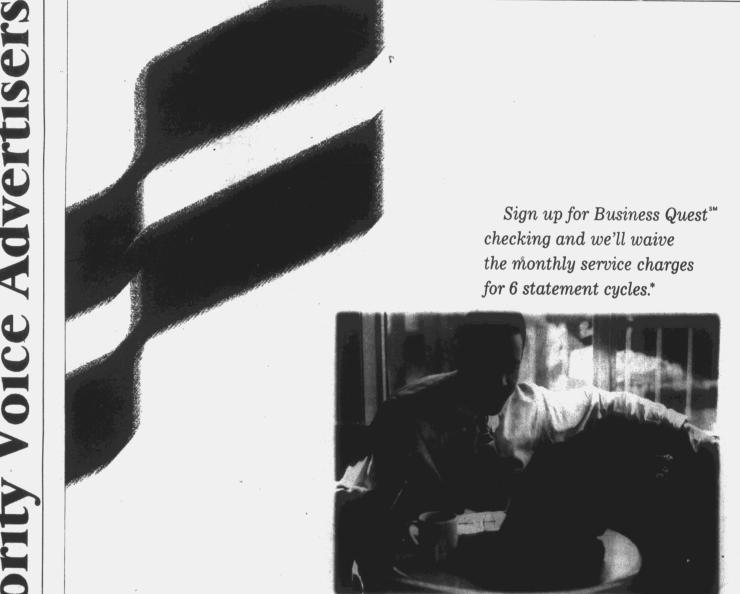
• The authority and the privilege to make recommendations to fill vacancies on the Board of County Commissioners is given to the Democratic Executive Committee.

•If the County Commissioners are not going to adhere to the recommendation of the Democratic Executive Committee, I would like to recommend that the Commissioners seek to have the law repealed

• It has been alleged that precincts 3 and 4 of Pitt County did not approve the recommendation made by the Pitt County Democratic Executive Committee. For the record, I am the Chairman of precinct #3 and a member of the Executive Committee and we do approve of the action and the recommendation of the Executive Committee on January 11, 2000

• Also for the record, the NAACP is a non-partisan organization. It is illegal for the NAACP to endorse any political candidate for public office. **Continued from page 1** He reiterated that Jews and American Indians have been paid in excess of \$11 billion for the injustices meted out to them, but blacks in America are yet to receive any damages. "Blacks have suffered the longest running injustice against humanity in the history of the world but have got nothing. Two hundred and forty six years of slavery is the cause of poverty to the black man," observed Robinson. Furthermore, he revealed that a study by the University of California in Berkeley that cited wage discrimination against blacks since the time of slavery and said: "Blacks are owed \$1.6 trillion by the federal government, and when this is broken down further, it's about \$60-\$80 billion per generation." Condemning the injustice fomented by the system, he mused: "A system that allows Dan Quale to rise to become a vice president is not a fair system, so don't expect your children to rise up and close the gap themselves. We must therefore now talk about what we are owed."

Finally, Robinson extolled the tremendous industry of the black people in helping to build America and said, "We demand reparations now. We'll pursue this not because we are beggars at the pauper's table, but we worked for it, and now is the time for our due." Robinson has also written a book on the subject, *The Debt: What Ameirca Owes To Blacks* and is currently circulating in book stores.



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