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George Richardson's attack concealed behind the skirt of Joseph Schrimmager, is not just an attack on Imamu Amiri Baraka and the development of Kawaida Towers, but it is actually an insult to all people who are committed to human equality. The cowardice of Richardson and Owens to support the will of Black people toward economic self-reliance and social progress against the demented racism of Anthony Imperiale and neo-Mussolinism, must be exposed for what it is! The Black community in Newark has always been militant about its human rights and anyone that wants to represent us had better feel just as militant about our rights.

The new Black man and woman doesn't want to hear "handkerchief head" Uncle Richardson siding with Anthony Imperiale against Black people. We need representation who feel the same suffering and humiliation caused by racism, as we do! Imamu Amiri Baraka and Kawaida Towers does embody the will of Black people to persevere the sickness of white racism and still make concrete, positive progress which benefits all the people of Newark.

Whose side are Richardson, Schrimmager, and Owens on? Do we have to wait for Joe Schrimmager to build us housing? If these submissive politicians don't see why we support Kawaida Towers they need to read Martin Luther King's book, Why We Can't Wait! They were not elected to be neutral against racism; our representatives must fight racism with all their might. We need a new young Black leadership in the Assembly that cannot be cowered by Anthony Imperiale. The new

popularly elected democratic district leaders in the Central Ward take this position:

We have been oppressed a great deal, we have been exploited a great deal and we have been disregarded a great deal. It is our weakness that has led to our being oppressed, exploited and disregarded. Now we want a revolution - a revolution which brings to an end our weakness, so that we are never again exploited, oppressed, or humiliated.

Arusha Declaration, 1967

We are advocates of popular political representation and equal distribution of wealth in this society along with Imamu Amiri Baraka and Kawaida Towers! We share in their movement for Black and Puerto Rican economic development and self-reliance. Richardson and Owens have become political prostitutes that sicken the people. They must be replaced by some young and honest men and women who are not afraid to struggle along with our community for human rights. TOGETHER WE WILL WIN!

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