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Mr. W. P. Kelly
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Dear Sir:

I am, Mayor Fred A. Henderson, of Herrin, Illinois, and I am on the Board of the Crab Orchard Job Corps. However, I have quit attending the meetings but do think it is one of the finest things that has ever happened.

My views are different from some that control the board. I think each and every person regardless of creed, color, or nationality has a place in life and should be given an equal opportunity but I do believe that there is no one that enters the Job Corps that does not know when he is violating the law. I do not believe that it is the place of the Job Corps officials to make every effort to get them out of all the trouble they get into knowing they are wrong. I think they should abide and be instructed that they have to abide by the law and if they don't then they should be prosecuted the same as anyone else without interference from the Job Corps Officials.

I want to say that I have worked for a living since I was nine years old and there has never been a time in history that anyone willing to work for his own keep could not get by. However, I do agree that we need more training for the underprivileged but instruct them that they come under the same laws as all other citizens.

Sincerely,

Fred A. Henderson
Fred A. Henderson,
MAYOR
City of Herrin

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Approved:

Roy Cole
Roy Cole,
Chief of Police