

NWRO DEMANDS

for the

POOR PEOPLES CAMPAIGN

I . REPEAL OF THE WELFARE SECTIONS OF THE 1967 SOCIAL SECURITY AMENDMENTS (PUBLIC LAW $^{90-2\,48}$ "ANTI-WELFARE LAW")

This law is the most regressive and racist piece of social legislation in the history of the country. Directly or indirectly, it affects the majority of residents of the ghettos and barrios of our country.

- A. It freezes federal funds for millions of needy children who are desperately poor but presently receiving no public assistance.
- B. It forces mothers to leave their children and accept work or training or be cut off welfare and have their children taken away from them.
- C. It seriously restricts the program of aid to children of unemployed fathers.
- D. It encourages welfare departments to further coerce and intimidate poor people.
- II. A NATIONAL GUARANTEED MINIMUM INCOME OF \$4,000 FOR EVERY AMERICAN FAMILY.

Four thousand dollars per year for a family of four (with \$500 per person adjustments for more or fewer family members) would be a minimum to raise families out of poverty.

The Guaranteed Minimum Income should also:

- A. Provide annual cost of living adjustments.
- B. Be administered by a simple affidavit, similar to the income tax.
- C. Include a work incentive allowing families to keep all earnings up to 25% of their guaranteed minimum income and some portion of additional earnings.
- III. FEDERAL FUNDS FOR IMMEDIATE CREATION OF AT LEAST THREE MILLION JOBS FOR MEN

There is a desperate need for jobs in the ghettos for men to permit them to assume normal roles as breadwinners and heads of families.

These job programs should:

- A. Focus on building critically needed low income housing and community facilities in the ghettos.
- B. Contribute manpower to extend vital human services such as health care, education and community organization.
- C. Give first preference to contracts with organizations controlled by poor people.