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During the convention the Fraternity issued its PUBLIC POLICY STATEMENT calling for increased involvement in politics; increased encouragement of minority business; implementation of the Humphrey-Hawkins Full Employment Act; increased involvement by local Alpha chapters to reduce crime and physically improve the Black community; educating the community concerning the importance of the 1980 census and being counted therein; and, encouraging closer ties with African and



Caribbean nations.

The convention closed with the Wednesday night formal banquet featuring the keynote address by Andrew Young, and presided over by Alpha President James R. Williams, U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Ohio. Other key figures included General Convention Chairman J. Rupert Picott, Executive Director of the Association for the Study of Afro-American Life and History; Mrs. Mauree W. Ayton, Coordinator of Women's and Children's Activities; and Alpha Executive Secretary, James B. Blanton.

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