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WAYMON TO GIVE URBAN CRISIS COURSE AT U.S.D.

SAN DIEGO, Calif. -- "The crisis in our cities in the acceptance or rejection of the black minorities and the inclusion of them as full participating citizens," said Carrol Waymon, executive director of Citizen's Interracial Committee yesterday. Waymon was interviewed on the special course on "Cities in Crisis" he is to give at the University of San Diego. The series of six lectures on Wednesday evenings will begin Feb. 19.

Waymon said the course will cover the whole spectrum of the urban crisis. "But actually the crisis of the cities is one that has nothing to do with physical conditions. Money and funds are irrelevant. Numbers are irrelevant. Air and water pollution or other physical conditions are not the cause of the crisis," he said.

"We will solve our city problem only when we solve our race problem, which is the whole problem in black and white," Waymon emphasized.

"Here in San Diego we have potential for a model city, and, yet, for the moment, it is the Mississippi of the West." He is encouraged, however, and added, "San Diego can move in the direction of a model city.

"The great progress in the City of San Diego is the shifting of philosophical positions and attitudes to recognize our racism problem. The City of San Diego has made more progress than any other American city, although

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this has yet to be translated sufficiently into concrete action," Waymon stated.

Waymon's course will include The Urban Crisis: Definitions; Funds; People and Prices; Law, Order and Justice: An Ideal; The Minority Mystique and History; Government Role in the Urban Crisis and Cities in 1989: Role of Citizens in a Changing Democracy.

The classes, for one credit, or non-credit, will be held in the Rose Room of the University of San Diego's College for Women, Alcala Park. For further information call: 296-6113 ext. 48.

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