On January 20th Houston Workers Action Movement demonstrated in the streets of downtown Houston. We demanded an end to welfare cutbacks, an end to the wage freeze, the right to organize on our jobs, a shorter work week — 30 hours work for 40 hours pay, and an end to U.S. involvement in other oppressed people's countries (Vietnam and Africa). The demonstration was a great step forward in letting the bosses and U.S. government know that the working class of Houston is fighting back. For too long they have been reaping in extra profits in the south. Wages and welfare are below what families need for adequate survival. With P.A.P. (Family Assistance Plan) on the agenda, welfare recipients will be forced to work for low wages under slave conditions in order to receive welfare benefits. The Texas bosses, along with other southern state bosses are the ones that get richer and richer while poor people are faced with many problems from not being organized. Houston and all Southern bosses are taking advantage of unorganized labor. With unorganized labor, the pay scale is very low (slave pay), and that means more layoffs and many bucks in the bosses accounts in the big banks of Texas.

Workers Action Movement is in Houston to organize the unorganized. With organization on our jobs and in our communities we will be heard, our demands can be won with unity. With unemployment, people are forced to commit crimes — robbery, taking drugs in order to fight a daily battle of decent survival.

To make a long story short, Workers Action Movement is asking every concerned citizen to contact us so we can begin to struggle with ourselves, brothers and sisters, to better conditions for us and our families. At present W.A.M. is starting a referendum campaign for a $3.00 minimum wage for all jobs in Houston, fighting for a shorter work week — 30 hours work for 40 hours pay, doing strike support with Best Uniform workers on Cavalcade, fighting against welfare cuts and fighting against layoffs on our jobs. W.A.M. is a National and International organization that welcomes you CONTACT MARK 649-3068, JACKIE 644-7161, STEVE 633-2577 or DOLORES 747-3457. We invite you to learn more about and discuss the Workers Action Movement program and how we can begin to come together to organize the unorganized. Our discussion starts at 8:00 p.m. in the Federal Room at the University Center at Univ. of Houston. If you need a ride, call one of the contacts.