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8774 Cameron Street,
Detroit, Michigan
Dec. 21st, 1942

Mr. Daniel J. Tobin,
222 Michigan Ave.
Indianapolis, Ind.

Dear Sir:

I am asking your full consideration of my case. Reviewing the fact of the present shortage of experienced Truck Drivers in the defense area of Detroit, I have appealed to Mr. Hoffa, President of local 299. of which I am a member.

I have complete equipment for highway hauling, 41 - Ford Tandem Truck and 4 wheel trailer.

I secured a position with a firm doing Vital Defense Work, but for verification of my membership of local 299 A.F.L. the firm inquired and were assured of my membership, but the union on finding that I am a Negro, would not give their consent for me to have the job.

The firm is willing with no discrimination shown whatever, but without my local's consent, I cannot be employed doing work of this type in this Defense Area.

At present Mr. Tobin, there are no Negroes employed in this type of work from local 299.

I find this type of work from past experience, my very best in aiding Defense.

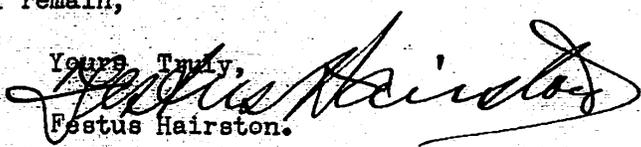
There is no question of the Negroes patriotism or sacrifices for the preservation of our Democracy.

Your assistance, Mr. Tobin, in this matter, would be greatly appreciated.

Thanking you,

I remain,

Yours Truly,


Festus Hairston.