



NORTH CAROLINA MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

JOHN MERRICK, FOUNDER

DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

March 2, 1934

OFFICE OF

C. C. SPAULDING, President

Mr. C. W. Massey, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners
Durham County Court House
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Sir;

The work of the local farm agent, T. A. Hamme, has been very closely observed by the Negroes of Durham County who live within the City of Durham. He is responsible to a large extent for the very friendly relationship which exists between the city and the county people. I have had the privilege of going with him to several of the meetings of farmers in the County and have inquired about his work. I find it to be very satisfactory among the County people.

I am to some extent familiar with the difficulties which our farm agent is experiencing financially and ask that if it is possible to do so that you grant him an increase in compensation of at least \$15.00. I feel that the County of Durham could make no better investment than to pay the Farm Agent who serves the Negro population of the County at least \$75.00 per month.

I am sure he has presented to you his report showing the progress of Home Garden Projects and Corn Demonstrations as well as the efforts he has put forth for soil improvement. I understand, also, that his work has been supervised by the State Farm Agent and that from all angles the work of T. A. Hamme is very helpful to all of the Negroes of Durham County.

Any consideration you find possible to give to this request will be highly appreciated by the Negro citizens of this County.

Very truly yours,

C. C. Spaulding
PRESIDENT

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