Heed Their Rising Voices

As the world looks at the South, thousands of Southern Negro students are engaged in widespread non-violent demonstrations to protest the denial of the core American values of democracy, freedom, and equality. The freedom struggle in the South, inspired by the U.S. Constitution and the Bill of Rights, is a struggle for the affirmation of the American Dream.

In Montgomery, Alabama, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference is leading a massive protest against segregation and discrimination. The leadership of the Montgomery Bus Boycott is the new brand of leadership that is emerging in the struggle for freedom.

Supporters of King's defense have been criticized for their lack of support and resources. However, the rising voices of the students and their determination to fight for justice are creating a new brand of leadership in the South.

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This advertisement, endorsed by supporters of King, including SCLC ministers, black entertainers, and prominent liberals, appeared in the New York Times on 29 March 1960. The ad states that the funds would be distributed three ways: King's defense for his Alabama perjury trial, support for student protesters, and the voting rights struggle.