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Dear Mayor Allen,

I am white and both my grand fathers were in the Confederate army - I voted for you and I commend you for taking charge of the recent disturbance and I appreciate that you and the TV cameras were on ^{hand} in full view as it kept the police from gunning down any number of our innocent negroes -

As for inciting a mob you have said nothing about the policeman shooting a man for suspected car theft - Since when is it a death penalty to be suspected of car theft - Even the worst prejudiced judge and jury would not meet out the death sentence for car theft or resisting arrest. I think the policeman should be in -

dicted for attempted murder and never be allowed to carry a gun again. He should be jailed immediately - A great many of us abhor the way the papers (and thank goodness for them) from time to time report that a fifteen year old boy was killed because he was suspected of burglary - What colored person wouldn't try to escape the Atlanta police. I know you are highly protected from any knowledge of what goes on.

I hate violence but the very morning I saw you on TV refusing to meet with a colored group a policeman shot a negro that very afternoon.

I am sure V-P Humphrey didn't see the poor people in a gas bombed house.

Please do something about the police -
Sincerely yours Mrs. J.C. Caldwell