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Mr. Don Hummel  
Assistant Secretary for  
Renewal & Housing Assistance  
Room 9100  
Department of Housing & Urban Development  
451 - Seventh Street S. W.  
Washington, D. C. 20410

Subject: Request for Approval  
Project GA. R-101  
Bedford Pine Urban Redevelopment Area

Dear Mr. Hummel:

The above Project is in an area of acute racial tensions. The Part I for this Project has been submitted, and we have been waiting for approval for a considerable length of time. Public Hearings have been held and the Part II submittal will be made immediately after approval of the Part I.

The new Housing Act gives Atlanta an opportunity to convert this Project to the new program entitled Neighborhood Development Program. We wish to make this conversion at the earliest possible date, which we estimate to be within approximately three to four months. Pending such conversion, however, it is important to Atlanta that this Project be approved as presently constituted immediately, without the delay necessary to convert it.

Any steps you can take in view of the foregoing which would result in early approval of this Project would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,