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Nutley, N. J.  
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The Hon. Ivan Allen, Jr.  
Mayor, Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Mayor:

Your testimony before the Senate Commerce Committee must be an inspiration to every honorable citizen. At last, I can appreciate the significance of the title customarily accorded to Mayors. Certainly, your appearance before the Committee has been a testimonial to the Honorable leaders struggling in isolated sectors of our country, North and South.

At times, I fear for our country, especially when a man must be commended for courage in proclaiming truth. However, inspiring leaders such as yourself must keep me from despair.

Just as I consider the national struggle for human rights to be a source of personal anguish, so do I consider the Mayor of Atlanta to be a source of personal pride and hope.

Full of respect,  
*Ronald J. Stephens*  
Ronald Stephens  
Citizen