

Jamaica, New York
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Dear Mr. Allen,

Earlier this evening I was viewing the Huntley-Brinkley Newscast here in New York. The very first report was of the tragic results of yesterday's run-off election. It is hard for me to completely express how proud I was of you as I heard you read your statement to reporters. To my mind, yours was a statement of courage and forthrightness as well as one of honesty. I am only temporarily absent from

the adopted state which now claims
my heart but I am looking forward
to an early return to Georgia — and
I still feel confident that with
men such as yourself and others, we
can yet help make Georgia the best
State in the Union — the pathway
has been made rougher by yesterday's
vote, but success is still possible.

God bless and keep you —

Sincerely yours,

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