

Sum-Mec Neighborhood Service Center
65 Georgia Avenue, S. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30315

August 1, 1966

The Honorable Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor of the City of Atlanta
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

We, the members of the Citizens Neighborhood Advisory Council of the Summerhill-Mechanicsville area, are deeply concerned about the recent demonstrations reflecting the need for more recreational facilities. We believe that the recommendations proposed by the citizens group convened by Mr. Bennie Smith on Thursday, the 27th of July would be effective steps toward removing the causes of an unrest.

We, therefore, go on record in support of the following:

- I. That the Mayor and Board of Aldermen be urged to appoint a Human Relations Commission, with power and a paid staff, for the purpose of acting upon matters which need attention in neighborhoods and that "grass roots" representation be included in the appointments.
- II. That all leaders be asked to use their influence to suspend demonstrations until the Mayor and Board of Aldermen could act on the recommendation, Monday, August 1, 1966.

Very truly yours,

Lewis Peters (ldw)

Mr. Lewis Peters, Chairman
Citizens Neighborhood Advisory
Council

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