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June 9, 1966

Honorable Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor
City of Atlanta
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mayor Allen:

The Atlanta Georgia Labor Council, AFL-CIO, at regular meeting on June 8, 1966, went on record to reaffirm our position in support of the International Association of Fire Fighters Local No. 134, and as a voice of Organized Labor in greater Atlanta, to make our position clear. The Fire Fighters Local No. 134, is the only organization recognized by the Atlanta Labor Council, AFL-CIO, representing Firemen in the City of Atlanta. The so-called independent union has no affiliation with the Atlanta Labor Council, AFL-CIO or any other segment of the AFL-CIO.

We are in complete sympathy, and support the resolutions submitted by the International Fire Fighters Local Union No. 134, to the City of Atlanta Aldermanic Board, requesting better working conditions and more pay for the Atlanta Firemen, however, we wish to make clear that we will not condone this rash, irresponsible action of this so-called independent union.

The officials of the City of Atlanta are not without some blame for this emergency. Had they been sincerely interested in the problems of the Firemen, which were presented to them several months ago, they would have taken some positive action and made some concrete proposal to remedy some of these problems, however, they only saw fit to use the oldest "dodge", a politician has at his disposal, "I'll give it due consideration".

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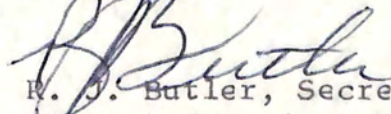
The Honorable Ivan Allen, Jr.

We are a loss to understand why you have not seen fit to recognize, through the news media, the fact that the International Association of Fire Fighters Local No. 134, has been representing the Firemen of the City of Atlanta for about forty years and during this period of emergency, the faithful members of Local No. 134 are working around the clock to man the fire stations in our city, with the prime consideration being the protection of the property of the citizens of Atlanta.

The Atlanta Georgia Labor Council, AFL-CIO is available at any time to assist in any way you may deem necessary in this matter.

With best wishes and kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely,


R. J. Butler, Secretary
Atlanta Georgia Labor
Council, AFL-CIO

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