h61 Peyton Road, S. W. Atlanta, Georgia

August 1, 1962

Mayor Ivan Allen Mayor, City of Atlanta Second Floor, City Hall Atlanta 3, Georgia

Dear Sir:

As residents of the Peyton - Utoy Forest Community of Southwest Atlanta, we would like to call your attention to the "block - busting" campaign which is being waged in our section, despite the posting of "Disputed Area" signs by property owners. We urgently request that you do all in your power to stop such tactics by these Negro Realtors.

We also request your support in zoning to Ml, the properties on the south side of Gordon Road, S. W., between Peyton Road and Lynhurst Drive. We are; however, opposed to the proposed Negro Cemetary, as well as the proposed Negro Apartments on the south side of Gordon Road, S. W. and east of Peyton Road, S. W. We do not understand why it has to be either the one or the other.

We have also signed petitions for making Peyton and Harlan Roads dead - end near Gordon Road, S. W. We feel that neither of these are so - called "arterial streets of the city, and that our petition should be considered at this time.

We feel that if we can stop the Negro Realtors from seeking listings in our community, and get proper zoning as requested, we can preserve our community and property values here. We therefore request your whole - hearted support in all of these matters.

For your information, the zoning hearing is scheduled for August 9, 1962.

Yours very truly,

James H. and Valera D. Risto

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CC;: Messrs. -Sam Massell, Jr. Jack Summers Milton G. Farris