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Honorable Ivan Allen, Jr.
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Dear Mayor Allen:

TIME Magazine of September 9, 1966 reports that General Electric has created a new division for the purpose of "creating new cities from the sidewalks up." Where the G. E. concept consists of purchasing a large amount of acreage (a rather difficult task) near our manufacturing centers, I have presented to them my concept (see enclosed paper "Housing for Minority Groups") which suggests use of land within urban areas, and G. E. has expressed interest in my concept. *

My concept begins by creating much-needed new "ghettos" which, in addition to providing new, decent housing, will also provide work, thus removing the negroes' reason for marching and creating unrest. This concept is adaptable to any city. Where today the land adjacent to a ghetto has a poor market value, in the future it would become very valuable, because it would become a manufacturing area. If you are favorably impressed with this concept, it would lend weight toward consideration of my idea by G. E.

Los Angeles Channel (KTTV) on September 24 will tape a program featuring an interview and my drawings. If an Atlanta TV station were to ask Channel 11 for a tape of the show, I am sure KTTV would be pleased to provide it.

If the same Atlanta TV station were willing for me to appear on TV, I would be glad to tell of my experiences as a member of a minority group (Italian). I landed in New York with 25¢ in my pocket, not knowing either the language or anyone. I could tell how I lived and starved, but never once asked for a handout. How many times I envied negroes that could get jobs as train porters (I wanted to see America) while I could not. I would like to tell of the many advantages that the U. S. negro has over the new white immigrant - yet no whites march and yell "We want power!"

Power has to be EARNED. Only dictators grab power--and the U. S. is no land for dictators.

Yours sincerely,

Guy Bossini deVall

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*As background material for the paper on minority housing, I enclose copy of paper on road building which I trust you will find of interest.

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P.S. If you are willing, and would have the time, to appear on TV in Los Angeles, please let me know. I am sure your comments would be of interest to Angelenos.