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GEORGETOWN, SOUTH CAROLINA

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The Honorable Mayor Allen  
City of Atlanta  
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Sir:

I have just read an account of your testimony before the Senate's Commerce Committee on the proposed Civil Rights Bill. May I say that your courageous expression of opinion makes me wish that I lived in Atlanta so that I could vote for you.

I especially applaud your contention that a federal law will be necessary to implement reform on Civil Rights. Such reform has been found woefully wanting at the local and state levels, due to their own abdication of their own responsibilities.

I suppose that in the next election demagogic opponents of you will make the most of your expressed opinions. It is even conceivable that, like Mr. Brooks Hays, the ex-Congressman from Little Rock, you may lose the election. However it may be, you may rest secure in that you have done your duty and have been true to your ideals.

Courage like yours is rare indeed. May the South be blest with more leaders like you. And be curst with less like Mr. Thurmond!

Respectfully,

*Daniel Keefe*  
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