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Mr. Lester H. Persells
Atlanta Housing Authority
Hurt Building
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Persells,

Your information to our group last Thursday was appreciated. Any aid in keeping the line of information open to the neighborhood, rather than getting it out of the papers, will be of great service to all of us.

The suggestion of Mr. Cook and others to change the plans in the public housing along North Avenue and around the park in the Bedford-Pine Plan is alarming. After years of planning by your group and by the architects, the maneuver to make the area unbalanced does not seem realistic. To have all, or a great portion, of older people or only couples would no more fill the needs of the neighborhood than to not consider them at all.

Therefore, we plead that the original plans be kept as discussed this year, and all efforts to make last minute major changes be rejected.

We were also disturbed at the plan to enlarge the area in the East Avenue, MacKenzie Drive area by displacing some 88 families. This Type move should be given far more consideration than the few days you say will be given before the recommendation is made. Remember, we had not been advised about this before Thursday, and you indicated a decision had to be made this week.

We again recommend that the original boundry and plan be adhered to and that no expansion be considered until the original area is reconstructed and finished.

Again, better communication in the planning stage, rather than near the execution stage, should eliminate many of the doubts and fears that have existed in past years.

Sincerely,

E. R. Searcy
E. R. Searcy, Chairman