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4340 Winchester Lane West Palm Beach, Fla.

Mayor Ivan Allen City Hall Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mayor Allen:

I was delighted to hear your statement in regard to nomination of Lester Maddox as the Democratic candidate for governor of Georgia.

I was born and raised in Atlanta, and I have lived in West Palm Beach for approximately ten years. However, I am a member of the Young Democrates of Florida and I am naturally interested in what is going on in my home town in the way of politics.

I was shocked to learn of the outcome of the Democratic primary, but your statement, which I heard on television that night was some consolation. I have to admire you for stating what you believe is right, which is more than can be said for Mr. Maddox. I am very concerned about the up-coming election. I believe that if Lester Maddox is elected governor of Georgia, it will be the greatest set-back Georgia has had.

I am an "A" student in civics and American government, and a member of the Senior class of Forest Hill High School in West Palm Beach. Being only nineteen, I am unable to vote, but, as they say: "The youth of America...".

A personal reply when you have time will be greatly appreciated. I had to tell you how much I admire you for your statement last week.

Thank you very much for your time.

Very truly yours,

Cheryl Du Pree