CITY OF ATLANTA

February 13, 1969



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Ivan Allen Jr., Mayor
J. C. Johnson, Director

Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr.
Board of Aldermen
c/o City Clerk, Jimmy Little
68 Mitchell Street, S.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mayor Allen:

At the Executive Board Committee meeting on Tuesday, February 13, it was brought out that the present Model Cities Executive Board, as it was originally constituted, was created to serve for one year and that it is now encumbered upon the Aldermanic Board to decide the committee's future position.

We, the members of the Model Cities Steering Committee, consisting of 15 members of the Model Cities community, elected by the neighborhood residents, in our recent regular meeting, voted to express our wishes to you in this matter.

We urge you to vote for the continuation of this Board as it formerly stood, for we have depended heavily on its decisions and responded to its action. The Board, comprised of neighborhood residents and other citizens and officials, clearly represented the true democratic approach.

Our residents, the beneficiaries of the program, have participated in the Model Cities Program for we have felt an inclusion in its process. We have reason to doubt its effectiveness if its structure is altered.

It is our hope that you share our attitudes and be responsive to our request.

The Aldermanic Board, in its original action, provided us the opportunity to share in the decisions affecting this program and for this we are grateful and appreciative and we urge you to continue this "open door" of communication.

Respectfully yours,
Model Cities Steering Committee

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