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Members of the Board of Aldermen City Hall Atlanta, Georgia

Gentlemen:

During the past two to three months the Planning Department has been conducting a study of community problems in the Northwest Browntown Area. The study developed out of the Browntown zoning issue on August 10, 1967.

The Browntown zoning issue concerned a hearing before the Zoning Committee on a request for a change in zoning of a portion of property coverning about fifty acres and located north of Browntown Road and west of James Jackson Parkway from light industrial to apartments. The purpose of the rezoning was to allow the construction of 510 low cost housing units under the "turnkey" program for public housing.

However, due to concern by residents of the area that current school, park and sewer facilities are already inadequate for the existing population and would be further overburdened by the new development, the Zoning Committee recommended adversely on the request for rezoning. In the Planning Department's efforts to find new ways in developing citizen involvement in the planning process, we assigned two planners to conduct a study so that both residents and city officials would have a sounder framework for dealing with the community's problems.

Enclosed herewith is a copy of the study entitled "Northwest-Browntown Area,
A Community Study". It is hoped that upon review by the Planning & Development Committee
the study will be adopted as a preliminary plan for the Northwest Browntown Area.

Sincerely yours,

Collier B. Gladin Planning Director