

P. O. Box #1
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September 30, 1966

Honorable Mayor Allen
City of Atlanta
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Mayor:

Last night, Thursday, I saw you on the news on NBC-TV in Chicago. It was good to hear you speak out, unequivocally, concerning the nomination of Lester Maddox.

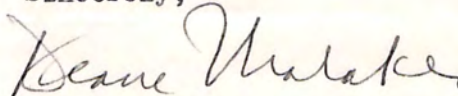
I felt saddened at his nomination: to think that so many persons would gravitate toward a man who stands for what he professes to stand!

Also, I thought it was brave of you to attempt to stop the recent riots in Atlanta by appearing on the scene and publicly exposing yourself to extreme danger by appealing to the crowd from atop a car.

I am certain there are many many more persons in this country who feel as I do, but who do not write and say so.

Keep trying to inject reason and sanity into the situation in Georgia.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Deane Malaker".

Deane Malaker