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JACK C. DELIUS
GENERAL MANAGER

MEMORANDUM



TO: Hon. Ivan Allen, Jr.

FROM: Jack Delius

Thank you for sending me a copy of your letter to Mrs. L. W. Roberts concerning the report she had prepared on the Atlanta Zoo. I agree substantially with the report but Mr. Leftwich, the undersigned, and Steve Dobbs all take exceptions to the remarks made concerning Steve's qualifications. He is certainly not a "lay Curator" but is a professional in every sense of the word. Also, we take exception to the remark that we have given anyone a blank check to remodel the Reptile House.

We are actively recruiting for a Zoo Director and many of the changes which I realize must be made and can be made will be more easily initiated and operated with a professional director on the scene.

We appreciate your visits to the Zoo and I trust that when you next pay us a call you will find things in good order.

JCD:bjw

