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Mayor Ivan Allen Jr.  
Mayor of Atlanta  
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mayor Allen:

It is regrettable that a handful of ultra-radicals are trying to tarnish the good image of Atlanta. As a Westerner who visited your city a few years ago, when conditions were not as favorable as they are today, I said then and I say now; Every Negro should visit Atlanta and see the fine colleges, homes with swimming pools and know some of the outstanding leaders in the Negro community.

When I think of Atlanta, I think of my Fraternity Brothers, Drs. Ben Mays, Rufus Clements, Albert Manley, Brazil, McClinton and his fine hospital, Jesse Blayton and his radio station, the late Judge Waldon, the Standard Life Insurance Company, and many many other fine American Institutions.

Atlanta is truly the Athens of the South with its many colleges. Morehouse has turned out more college presidents, professors and successful business man than any of our other colleges.

I believe the true image of Atlanta could be created if your very liberal Atlanta Constitution would be made public by the contributions of the educated people who live there, rather than by some agitator, pictured on the front page of our Denver Post with his eyes bulging as it was necessary for the officer to subdue him before arrest.

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Sincerely appreciating the efforts that all  
good people are making for human relations.  
I am yours for better human understanding,

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