



# The Episcopal Society for Cultural and Racial Unity

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The Hon. Ivan Allen  
City Hall  
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Allen:

Just a brief word -not requiring any acknowledgement from you- to thank you for your testimony today in support of the President's Civil Rights legislation. Rest assured that there are many white Atlantans as well as Negroes who are proud of you and grateful for your leadership.

On another subject, I hope that the day here has passed without the arrival in Atlanta of threatened obstructionist demonstrations of the lying-down-in-the-street variety which we are beginning to see elsewhere, particularly in the North. Such were considered by Negro student leaders I understand. While supportive of direct action protest of the now more traditional sort, and having been involved in such in various situations, I do not think that the diffused, non-directed, and, as I call it, "obstructionist" type of protest is needed or effective. If I can be of any service anytime in setting this perspective forward, as one who has himself been involved in direct action otherwise, I shall be happy to be available.

Yours faithfully,

The Rev. John B. Morris  
Executive Director

Behold,  
how good and joyful  
a thing it is  
for brethren  
to dwell together  
in unity!

