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Mayor Ivan Allen c/o The Atlanta Journal Atlanta, Georgia De Vo

Dear Chief:

What a shock, after living six years abroad in a Communist infested area to return and find how little rights we as American Citizens have to express our needs when all else has failed. Yes, you were elected to office by the majority, although at this time I am wondering why. When a leader obviously cannot execute his position in fairness and cannot be reached in any way to listen and understand the needs of his people, how else do you expect them to reach out, other than the way the Atlanta Firemen are now doing?

Do you really feel that these men are exhibiting the traits of bad Americans, or can you sit back and realize that this is the only choice which you and many so-called Atlantans have given them? Had you rather they would use Molotov cocktails and propergander, which the Communists have used very successfully? Have you yet realized that these men are only trying to tell the citizens of Atlanta and the men who are supposed to fill their executive offices with fairness and representation for all that their families need to have adequate income, the same as you college boys, and a little time to enjoy seeing their future little citizens grow?

I really feel sorry for you Mr. Allen, for somewhere along the line someone forgot to tell you about the Indian tribes. We all, or I thought we all knew, that every tribe has its Indians and its Chief, but what I think that you have either forgotten or you are choosing to ignore, is that a good Chief takes care of his Indians in every way, even to the point that he himself might suffer. What's wrong with you??????????

An Atlanta Indian,

L. Sue Sanders