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610 East Graham St
Shelby, N.C.

Your Honor:

Many a time I have thought of writing to a person when I have agreed or disagreed with his views on certain issues. However this is the first time I have ever sat down to write to someone I do not know personally.

Sir you are the ideal of every American. Many a time I have wondered, listening to politicians, if there was even one who would do what he thought was right even if it might ruin him politically. You are the answer to my question.

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Inadvertently I am not colored. Many will probably never agree with your stand on integration even by Court Act but nobody will ever cease to admire you as a real American who has the courage to stand up for his convictions

Your well reasoned logical speech for integration of businesses is a masterpiece. In my mind it is as great as any of the speeches of Daniel Webster or any other great American not because of its fiery oratory but its clear calm eloquent logic.

Sir, our prayers are with you and may God reward you one hundred fold.

Sincerely yours,
Rev James Kearney