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Mary Joan Allen, Jr.
City Hall
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Sir,

As a former Atlantan, now living in New York, I was so pleased and proud of your testimony in Washington that I felt I should let you know about it.

For some months now, as the civil rights revolution has been developing, I have noticed that when I speak to people they react to my southern accent and ask, rather jestily, where I'm from. When I answer "Atlanta" there's a.

noticeable shifting of the chip on the
shoulder and Jim congratulated an
Atlanta's performance. And since your
recent courageous stand, it's more
true than ever.

My real disappointment is in
my alma mater, Agnes Scott.
I only wish your vision and
courage were contagious.

I see many former Atlantans
here and you should know that
we all are proud of our home
town.

Sincerely yours,
Mayone Merlin Cohen
(Mrs. Oscar Cohen)