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**HOUSING AUTHORITY**

**OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA**  
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June 30, 1967

The Honorable Ivan Allen, Jr.  
Mayor, City of Atlanta  
City Hall  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mayor Allen:

Big business is moving into the field of helping to supply good housing for low and moderate income families. The Celotex Corporation, one of the largest manufacturers of building supplies, has been awarded the contract for land in the University Center Urban Redevelopment Area on which they will build 208 apartments and town houses financed under FHA's 221 (d)(3) program to be sponsored and operated by the Friendship Baptist Church.

We hope you will attend the contract signing on Thursday, July 6th, at 2:00 P. M. at the office of the Atlanta Housing Authority. This should be an important event both in Atlanta and in the nation since Celotex expects to expand this type of operation in urban renewal areas nationally. Representatives of press, radio and television have been invited and a copy of this invitation is enclosed.

Most sincerely,

Lester H. Persells  
Director of Redevelopment

Enclosure

*Mr. Howland to  
prepare statement -  
unable to  
attend*