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Hon. Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor, City of Atlanta
Atlanta, Georgia

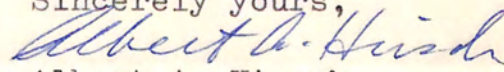
Dear Mayor Allen:

I wish to congratulate you for your exceptionally fine and courageous testimony before the Senate Commerce Committee concerning the pending public accommodations bill. I was deeply moved by it and as a former Atlantan, greatly proud.

I believe that your stated position will help to dispel the widespread notion that all unreason is concentrated in the South. Moreover, it served to point out the national, rather than regional character of the civil rights revolution.

With best wishes for further peaceful progress in Atlanta I am

Sincerely yours,


Albert A. Hirsch