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Honorable Ivan Allen
Office of the Mayor
Atlanta, Georgia

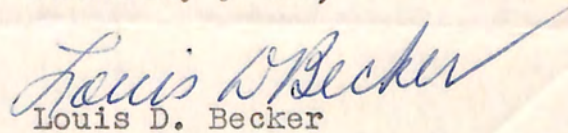
Dear Mayor Allen:

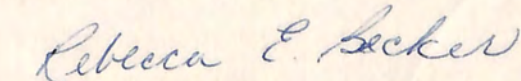
You are to be congratulated on the forthright position you have taken regarding the run-off election. Your public stand against extremism and for the concept of reason is the more remarkable because you will very likely stand alone among prominent, public figures in doing so.

These days, to put conscience above party shows a high, and, unfortunately, an uncommon, degree of commitment to principle.

I do not think it will happen, but wouldn't it be both encouraging and thrilling if a massive repudiation might occur in November, as thousands of sane people "went fishing."

Sincerely yours,


Louis D. Becker


Rebecca E. Becker (Mrs.)