STATEMENT BY IVAN ALLEN, JR.

Tomorrow is Atlanta's big day ... Our Braves come home officially and the whole city will want to turn out to welcome them, I'm sure.

It means a lot to a team to know they're part of the community and Atlantans will certainly want to make the Braves feel the warmth of their welcome.

School Superintendent John Letson has said that all school children who want to attend the parade at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, may do so, with permission from their parents. I urge parents and their children to come on down Peachtree and see the big show.

I urge all businesses to let their employees take a late and long lunch hour ... so they too can come say HI' to our Braves. Let's kick off our first big league season in great style and send our team into Atlanta stadium more eager than ever to start with a win for a pennant year.

Remember the parade starts at Peachtree and Baker at 1:30 ... to City Hall. Let's make it a parade they'll talk about for the next hundred years.