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

Dear Mayor Allen:

It is with inestimable pleasure that I drop you this note of commendation on the forthright position your testimony on the civil rights bill will reflect.

As we read your prepared testimony and the New York Times' reports upon your replies during the colloquy, we were impressed with the difference between a statesman and a politician. We salute you as a statesman imbued with a firm understanding of the moral values underlying the civil rights issues.

If you can possibly find a ten-minute breathing space in your Wednesday (July 31) schedule, I would be grateful for the opportunity of a brief coaching session with you. I am to appear before the Senate Sub-Committee on Employment and Manpower of the Labor and Public Welfare Committee to give testimony in support of S 773 and S 1937 (the Clark and Humphrey Bills, respectively). My prepared testimony has already been placed in the committee's hands. I am advised that I am to give oral testimony and participate in a colloquy following it.

Since this is my maiden flight before the august Senate, I could profit from a brief conference with you who have acquitted yourself so well on this latest and earlier occasions before the Senate.

Sincerely yours,


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