

1373 Washington Avenue
Bronx, N.Y. 56
September 9, 1966

The Honorable Ivan Allen Jr.
Mayor of Atlanta Ga.
City Hall

Dear Sir:

This letter is to express to you our profound regret for the disrespect shown to you during your most courageous effort to calm our people during the disturbance a few days ago. We are a group of five-thousand families, pledged to live together as neighbors, with sincere respect for each other.

We are all races and creed living here. We are not just against violence, we just won't have it because we have lived long enough to know that it does not solve any problems. We feel too, that it is down-right stupid not to work with the Whites who try sincerely to respect our bid for a better life for ourselves and our children.

Sincerely,

Louis A. Fickling
Louis A. Fickling, President
Claremont Village Organization