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Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr.
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Allen:

From your recent press conference, you implied that this is not a free country. You were very upset and made a lot of nasty remarks because the people voted of their own choice for Mr. Maddox in the primary election. Further, you said the majority of the people who voted for Mr. Maddox were illiterate and ignorant.

This is simply to advise I voted for Mr. Maddox, and even though I do not have a 180 I.Q., I don't believe I'm ignorant.

The people of Georgia do not respect you very much, and every time you and the Atlanta newspapers talk against Mr. Maddox, you are just adding more votes to his election.

You mentioned that Mr. Maddox was not qualified for the job. However, if you will recall, I don't think you were qualified for the Mayor's job when you went into office.

I realize you were under duress by your Negro voters and were trying to pacify them by remarking as you did. However, these remarks were certainly uncalled for.

Yours very truly,

Robert T. Starnes, Jr.
Resident Vice President

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