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Dear Sir,

My apologies for the informality of this letter, but on the spur of the moment after hearing your denunciation of Mr. Maddox as Democratic nominee, I want to express my gratitude and admiration for your courageous stand. I had much pride in you as Atlanta's mayor earlier this month during the unrest which took place. However, I feel this stand you have taken is much more brave in the face of political criticism.

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There is some consolation in all this mess knowing that one man is leading us who is not afraid to speak out for what he believes, and that is rare today.

Again, thank you very much for helping me to have faith in the leadership of this state. I only wish Georgia had more men like you in responsible positions.

Sincerely,
Nancy Dempsey
(Mrs. Dewey W.)