

November 1, 1967

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Mr. Warren L. Berry  
Assistant Vice President  
Citizens and Southern National Bank  
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Berry:

Mills Lane forwarded me your note in which you expressed your support of the proposed merger of the Atlanta and Fulton County governments.

I am most grateful for your willingness to assist and wish to advise that we have made a note of your interest.

Sincerely yours,

Ivan Allen, Jr.  
Mayor

IAJr/br

CC: Mr. Dan Sweat

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October 12, 1967

Mr. Mark W. Mayes  
Pioneer Heddle & Reed Co., Inc.  
P. O. Box 10586  
Atlanta, Georgia 30310

Dear Mr. Mayes:

Thank you very much for your letter of October 11st and your support of our recommendations for the consolidation of the Atlanta and Fulton County governments. It is my sincere hope that this may be accomplished within a reasonable length of time.

Sincerely yours,

Ivan Allen, Jr.  
Mayor

IAJr/br

I believe that the points raised in this letter are those which are on the minds of many of our citizens. They, as well as I, support the efforts of the Authority to provide adequate housing for our citizens. This is good, but more must be done. Physical housing must be complemented by the human element, and this is the basis of the class and my interest, and the purpose of raising these issues.

If you or the Authority are interested in discussing the content of this letter in greater detail, I shall be pleased to do so.

Sincerely yours,

William S. Jackson  
Dean

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CC: Mayor Ivan Allen  
Mrs. Eliza Paschall  
Mr. Cecil Alexander  
Dr. Rufus E. Clement

February 20, 1967

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Mr. Ned Freeman, President  
Georgia Federation of the Blind  
136 Gees Mill Road  
Conyers, Georgia 30207

Dear Mr. Freeman:

May I acknowledge receipt of your letter of February 17th regarding the relationship of Public Assistance and rents charged by the Atlanta Housing Authority in public housing projects.

I am forwarding your letter to Mr. M. B. Satterfield, Executive Director of the Housing Authority, in order that he may furnish you a detailed reply.

Sincerely yours,

Ivan Allen, Jr.  
Mayor

IAJr/br

CC: Mr. M. B. Satterfield

PIONEER HEDDLE AND REED COMPANY, INC.

P. O. BOX 10586  
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30310

MARK W. MAYES  
PRESIDENT

October 11, 1967

TELEPHONE 758-7211

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

Dear Mayor Allen:

I wish to commend you for the effort you are putting forth and am sure will follow through for consolidating the City of Atlanta and Fulton County. Trust that you will be successful in bringing this about.

It is obvious to thinking people I am sure that something has to be done, and I firmly believe you will have the cooperation of all the citizens who really give this matter proper consideration.

Yours sincerely,



Mark W. Mayes

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October 3, 1967

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

Dear Mayor Allen:

I wanted to let you know how much all of the Young Republicans appreciated you attending their meeting and talking about some of the problems which face our city.

Speaking for myself, I would certainly heartedly endorse your proposals, particularly in regards to merging the services of Atlanta and Fulton County. I just makes plain sense to do so, although I know that there will probably be objections from the usual objectors. If the Young Republicans can be of any help to you in this project, I certainly hope that you will let us know.

Although I have disagreed in the past and probably will do so in the future with you on national partisan politics, I do want you to know that in my opinion you have done an outstanding job in your six years as Mayor. Even your severest critics will have to acknowledge that you have the courage to attack problems that persons of lesser backbone would leave alone.

Best regards,

Sincerely,

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# TAHITIAN NUDIST COUNTRY CLUB

Post Office Box 4715  
Atlanta, Georgia 30302

October 11, 1967

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

RE: ATLANTA-FULTON COUNTY MERGER

My dear Mayor Allen,

I deplore such accusations by some of the few power seekers, especially when they say the above proposed merger is a scheme to keep a certain minority group from being elected mayor of Atlanta, or to other high administrative offices.

At this point, I am extremely pleased to congratulate you for the fine progressive job you have done and the excellent job you are doing in Atlanta and Washington for the best interests of all Atlantians, without even considering race, creed, color, or religion. I also feel that others should give you more encouragement, if not some thanks for your well needed and dedicated services to this great city of ours.

Yes, I do agree that violence, as well as non-violence did goad you and many other city officials to really realize what a turbulent situation that this city was in, and is still not up to par. Well, to put it bluntly, the hell-raisers really made you get on the ball and try to correct this bad situation. You can no longer turn your back and say "I thought the (unrest) was doing alright -I thought they were satisfied with their present conditions".

Yes sir, Mr. Mayor, you are doing a fine job and probably doing your best. Even this is not enough to solve most of the social and economic problems of Atlanta. I don't mean just you. I must do more; the board of Aldermen must do more; the various aldermatic committees must do more; the county and the state must do more; the various federal agencies, labor organizations, churches, and the general public must do more. The people with the problems themselves, must do more. We all must simply pool our knowledge and resources and of course, cooperate together; that is, if we really want to eliminate these problems soon.

You know something, Mr. Mayor? That Mr. Harold Sheats mentioned this merger many months ago. He is a swell attorney, an economist, the best of all... can see further than his nose. He, too, has the county and city and the surrounding community within the county at the best interest of all concerned. He is not looking for power, but rather what he feels would be best in the long run for both Atlanta and Fulton County. We have to give this man credit, even though we are at odds (Nudists) when it comes to social nudism.

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October 11, 1967

to:  
Honorable Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr.

When it comes to nudists and social nudism, Mr. Sheats is a bit silly, especially when he tries to associate social nudism with immoral conduct, or sex clubs' activities.

You know something? I do honestly believe a good day in the sun at a nudist resort would really do the old boy a lot of good, mentally and physically. What do you think?

We can't think of a better county than Fulton County to build our multi-million dollar nudist resort. (More about this later).

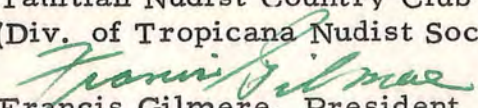
I am not in a position to say that consolidation is the thing, or not the thing, to do. I don't think that anyone else can truthfully answer this question at this time, but I do say.. take every aspect under consideration, including the small towns and communities in Fulton County, and make a complete study and carefully evaluate all aspects relating to this opposed consolidation, and I am sure we will know what is best for both Atlanta and Fulton County.

Chicago has not elected a negro mayor; New York is far from doing the same, and many more large cities are far from electing one, so Atlanta will also be a long ways off from electing a negro mayor. Even with the heavy negro block voting, Senator Edward Brooke would have lost if negro voting was his only votes. This goes to show you that no one race will control any election from here on in.

I know that your idea of a consolidation of Fulton and Atlanta is within the best interest of all concerned, and we strongly suggest that if the study and the evaluation prove to be the best for all citizens, that you continue to push it with all your vigor and let no minority group, no political group, or any one else turn you around.

Trusting that you will continue your sincerest interests in this great city of Atlanta and to work to achieve the best for all citizens of Atlanta, with kindest regards, I remain

Respectfully yours,  
Tahitian Nudist Country Club  
(Div. of Tropicana Nudist Society, Inc.)

  
Francis Gilmore, President

cc:  
Mr. Harold Sheats  
County Attorney  
Mr. Alex Coffin  
Atlanta Constitution

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FRANCIS GILMERE  
PRESIDENT

SPORTSMEN'S COUNTRY CLUB

POST OFFICE BOX 4715

Atlanta, Georgia 30302



18-HOLE GOLF COURSE  
3 TENNIS COURTS

September 20, 1967

30-ACRE, SPRING-FED LAKE  
ELEGANT DINING ROOMS

Mr. Gilbert Fitzhugh, Chairman  
Metropolitan Life Insurance Company  
1-Madison Avenue  
New York, New York 10010

Re: Low Income Investments

Dear Mr. Fitzhugh:

I am more than glad to know that at last, finally, the insurance companies in America are getting involved in what I would call "slum castles of America cities". I congratulate you and the other insurance executives highly for your brave and courageous commitment of goodness from your hearts.

I am praying that one day in the near future you will also be proud of your commitments. It is not easy to give financial backing to a project when you know the risks outweigh the economic feasibility of said project. The specific project or projects are more than needed in most of American metropolitan cities, as low rent housing in our deteriorating and pest-ridden cities will accept your program without any questions. This is one of the finest things that could have happened to the slums. Yet you have done exactly what I have been pushing some of our large foundations and corporations to do, especially the labor organizations (union). See enclosed letter number one.

The banking institutions are doing a swell job considering the many restrictions that they have to contend with for the best interest of all concerned. I feel that the large labor unions could give more consideration to the housing situation in our cities. I believe the union has more dues paying members than any other national organization in America.

I have great praises for our honorable president of the United States, L. B. J. for pushing, and trying to get private enterprises involved in the crash-housing program. Our own mayor, the Honorable Ivan Allen, Jr., is doing a marvelous job in getting the message through to both private and governmental agencies, i. e; how very badly we need decent housing in Atlanta for all people, especially in the Negro areas in which is far less than up to par with the rest of the city.

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to: Mr. Gilbert Fitzhugh  
September 20, 1967

We are forming "The Gilmore's Urban Development Corporation" with a proposed capitalization of 65-million dollars. All we need is a top-heavy underwriter or some semi-top-heavy subscribers. We already have projects on the drawing board to exceed 110-million in community developments, about 75-million of this will be strictly for multi-family units in the low and medium income bracket, and of course, some of the most luxurious in the world.

Our prime objective is to build and re-build deteriorated sections of Atlanta, not only the residential sections, but the business and downtown area as well. We also anticipate developing parks, schools, and other recreational facilities for Atlanta area.

Decent housing and adequate housing alone will not solve all the social and economic problems of our slum areas, but providing decent and adequate housing for all people, it will help to remedy the situation by 50 percent, leaving the need of education about 25 percent, employment 25 percent, and I do mean adult education; i. e; teaching occupational skills, and trades.

Sincerely, I do believe you and your colleagues have given a hypo in the arm of the poor housing situation, and I just hope the Hell others will follow suit, not necessarily investing one billion dollars, but just a few million from ten or fifteen of the largest corporations will cure many, many, slum headaches. This will be something that one must consider not from the profit's point of view, but rather a break-even point of view.

Again, thanking you and your colleagues for your sincerest interest and your most needed investment and contribution to the above program. With kindest regards, and wishing you the most success, I remain

Sincerely yours,

Francis Gilmore, President

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President L. B. Johnson, Dr. Robert C. Weaver, Secty. Hud, New York Life Ins. Co.  
Continental Assurance Co., President W. Dowell, President  
Prudential Life Ins. Co., Orville Bealle, Pres.  
Equitable Life Assurance Society, J. Henry Smith, Pres.

October 26, 1967

Mr. Gerald T. Horton  
The Research Group, Inc.  
2342 National Bank of Georgia Bldg.  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Jerry:

Thank you very much for your letter of October 23rd regarding the hopeful merger of the Atlanta and Fulton County governments. I appreciate the material which you sent me and your offer of assistance which we shall certainly keep in mind.

Sincerely yours,

Ivan Allen, Jr.  
Mayor

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THE RESEARCH GROUP, INC.

2342 NATIONAL BANK OF GEORGIA BLDG.

ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303

TELEPHONE (404) 577-1341

October 23, 1967

The Honorable Ivan Allen  
Mayor of the City of Atlanta  
City Hall  
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mayor Allen:

May I add my congratulations (to what I hope have been many) at your decision to press the issue of consolidation. As you well know from our conversations, the CIP Workshops, and the "Atlanta" article I am 100 per cent behind this reordering of our metropolitan governments. If there is anyway I can be of help to you in moving this effort forward, I am eager and willing.

Our firm has been deeply involved in this area in recent months through our work with Savannah-Chatham County, the Muscle Shoals Council of Governments, and the District of Columbia. We are gaining some measure of expertise and a deep understanding of the problems of governmental restructuring.

It seems inappropriate to us because of our past work for the City and my publically-known views for our firm to make a proposal for the work now being contemplated in studying consolidation. However, we are ready to provide any advice and assistance you might deem helpful in identifying appropriate firms to carry out the work.

To that end, I have reviewed the qualifications of some of our competitors ( a difficult task to accomplish without bias) to see who might do the City and County a good

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The Honorable Ivan Allen  
October 23, 1967

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job. One organization which you might consider is the Midwest Research Institute.

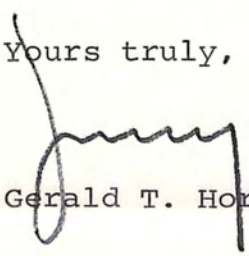
I asked one of their staff to send me some information on their activities and abilities in governmental organization, a copy of which is enclosed.

If information on other firms such as this would be of interest to you, I will be happy to assemble it and pass it on.

Finally, let me again offer my time and the firm's time to assist you on this project in any matter you might suggest.

With best wishes,

Yours truly,



Gerald T. Horton

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## PROSPECTUS

Metropolitan areas in the country have mushroomed in the 20th Century unrestrained by local political boundaries. The in-migration of rural inhabitants to urban centers, accompanied by the exodus from core cities and into suburbs of central city residents is well documented. Local government on the fringes of the core city is characterized by a multiplicity of governmental units incapable of providing effective administration in zoning, policing and in other municipal services. The core city and fringe units are often hostile in their relations to each other. Problems of area-wide concern are not disposed of by common effort because of the inability of all the varying units of local government to effectively cooperate. This picture is further complicated by the fact that metropolitan areas have inherited to a large extent the problems caused by comparative neglect in raising the standard of living of the poor and integrating them into society.

The need for changing the geographical jurisdictions and powers of county and municipal governments in many of our metropolitan areas is increased by the growing maladjustment between what these governments are called on to do and their ability to perform. More specifically, the present powers, jurisdictions, and structures of local governments, and the status of inter-governmental relations in the metropolitan areas, make it increasingly difficult for the local governments to perform independently many functions which are inevitably area-wide in nature.

The Atlanta area is not unique in its crying need for more effective area-wide government services. The need has been demonstrated in a great number of metropolitan areas of the country. A number of different approaches to governmental reorganization have been attempted with varying degrees of success. Foremost of these are:

- \* Municipalities' use of extra territorial powers.
- \* The urban county.
- \* Metropolitan special districts including multi-purpose districts.
- \* City-county separation.
- \* Federation.
- \* Intergovernmental agreements for functional and programatic cooperation.
- \* Voluntary metropolitan councils of governments.
- \* Transfer of functions to the state government.
- \* Annexation and consolidation of municipalities.
- \* City-county consolidation.

A number of generalizations can be drawn from the different approaches employed and review of the success -- or absence of success -- experienced.

Among these undoubtedly should be:

- \* There is no best single approach to governmental reorganization applicable to all conditions and times.
- \* The numerous approaches are not mutually exclusive.
- \* Use of limited approaches may prove adequate to meet the need for governmental reorganization in some metropolitan areas.

\* Annexation, although continuing to show vitality in emerging metropolitan areas, has lost much of its usefulness in larger, older metropolitan areas.

\* Limited-purpose metropolitan special districts have attributes which seriously undermine vigorous local government.

\* City-county separation and city-county consolidation have shown limited recent potential.

Arrangements for intergovernmental cooperation or implementation of projects of common concern within the five-county Atlanta region are not highly developed. The arrangements that exist do not satisfy the growing demand for area-wide government and area-wide services. Accordingly, the City of Atlanta and Fulton County have expressed a desire to study the advantages and disadvantages of consolidation. The Economic Development Division of Midwest Research Institute is well qualified to assist in such a study and desires to do so. Accordingly, some general qualifying information about the Institute and extracts from resumes of key professional staff personnel that could be expected to participate in a study of governmental consolidation follow:

Midwest Research Institute is an independent, not-for-profit center devoted to research for industry, government and the general welfare. The Institute was founded in 1944, by a group of civic, industrial and technical leaders who were convinced that the application of scientific research



to industry would rapidly become a critical factor in economic and social growth. This expectation has become a fact -- as the growth of MRI testifies.

Today, the Institute has a total staff of over 400 and conducts research covering the entire spectrum of modern science. The dollar volume of research conducted by the five scientific divisions -- Economic Development, Engineering, Mathematics and Physics, Chemistry and Biological Sciences -- exceeds \$6 million annually.

In support of its professional activities, the Institute has over 150,000 sq. ft. of laboratory space and maintains a comprehensive library with those of the adjacent Linda Hall Library of Science and Technology -- an institution with over 300,000 volumes and more than 9,000 technical periodical publications of national and international origin.

Midwest Research Institute's research staff has had considerable experience in evaluative and planning efforts for government agencies at all levels, and in the development of new organizations and institutional concepts to carry forward various objectives. In recent years, the Institute and, particularly, its economic development division, has devoted a growing portion of its effort to urban and social problems which go beyond the scope of conventional economic development concepts.

James Alcott: He has directed the Economic Development Division at Midwest Research Institute since 1963. During this time, his Division has completed research projects for over 100 clients varying from public agencies such as the Iowa Development Commission and private firms such as Standard Oil Company of New Jersey. He has been active in a number of projects relating

to the needs and problems of state and local government in meeting major public requirements and public policy. Mr. Alcott's participation is frequently sought in various groups concerned with public policy issues. He currently is a member of the Commission for Organization of Jackson County Government, a citizen group charged with the responsibility for recommending alternative forms of county government in Jackson County, Missouri, a county which includes Kansas City and Independence.

James A. Smith: Mr. Smith's experience includes major emphasis in regional economics, industrial development, and public affairs. While at MRI, he has directed or participated in a HUD sponsored study of federal aid programs involving a 10-city survey of user requirements; several projects for municipal governments such as the Johnson County Library Board, Kansas City Community Service Department and City Planning Department; and studies for the Commission for Organization of Jackson County Government.

Prior to joining MRI, Mr. Smith was employed in Florida where he directed or participated in a number of studies concerned with the public interest such as a study of emerging political leadership in a metropolitan area, media impact on voter behavior, and county/city relationships. He also performed during this time studies for public groups concerned with public service aspects of television programming and media influence on determination of public issues. His experience includes 18 months concentrated study of Dade County metropolitan government problems under a Ford Foundation Grant. Included were inquiries into the role of special tax districts and special service districts.

John O. Wilson: Dr. Wilson's principal areas of specialization are public finance, quantitative analysis, and regional planning. His experience includes long term involvement in a large scale tax structure evaluation study for the state of Missouri; development of a technique of capital allocation for alternative investments projects -- part of a long range capital improvement program for Washington County, Michigan; and as a staff member of the Institute of Public Administration, University of Michigan. His Ph.D. dissertation dealt with the development of a mathematical model for optimization for investment decision making by local government units.

William Munson: Mr. Munson is an intergovernmental relations analyst with MRI with primary areas of interest in governmental programs that require cooperation and coordination across political boundaries and between state, local, and federal government levels. Prior to joining MRI, Mr. Munson served on the Task Force on Criminal Justice for the United States Department of Justice and was responsible for advising the Department on how best to administer the Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Act of 1967. For five years, Mr. Munson served as a midwestern representative of the Council of State Governments, a joint agency of all 50 states which provide research, publishing, and secretarial services to national and regional associations and state officials. Mr. Munson has worked closely with commissions on interstate and intergovernmental cooperation, the Midwestern Governor's Conference, the Interstate Conference on Automated Data Processing, the Committee on


Information Systems of the Council of State Government, and the Midwestern Legislative Committee in the fields of transportation, taxation, and higher education.

Robert Boyd: Mr. Boyd is Assistant to the President of MRI. Since coming to MRI he has been involved in analyzing the opportunities for contract research with state and local governments. He participated in the research project completed for the Federal Housing and Urban Development Agency consisting of an in-depth study of 10 cities in the United States to analyze the management information problems, particularly as these problems relate to Federal, state and local relationships.

Prior to joining MRI, Mr. Boyd was Executive Assistant to Oklahoma's Governor Henry Bellmon. In this capacity he was primarily responsible for coordination and planning, particularly in the areas of economic and industrial development, and intergovernmental relations.

In addition to these staff members, MRI would utilize the services of other eminently qualified consultants to participate in a study such as in being considered. Foremost of these is Dr. Thomas P. Murphy, Director of Public Administration, University of Missouri at Kansas City. Dr. Murphy is Director of the Commission for Organization of Jackson County Government.

Prior to his appointment to the University of Missouri faculty, Dr. Murphy was Staff Assistant to James Webb, Administrator, NASA; and later Deputy Assistant Administrator for legislative affairs of the same agency. His academic background includes MA and Ph.D. degrees in Political Science.



August 25, 1967

Honorable Dick Lane  
The House of Representatives  
2704 Humphries Street  
East Point, Georgia

Dear Dick:

Thank you for your kind letter of October 23rd.

As stated in my talk the other evening, I feel that Atlanta is entitled to the right and opportunity of normal growth and expansion; this includes taking into consideration the needs and desires of the other governments in the area.

I am not familiar at the present time with the Commission's report on the merger of the school systems of Atlanta and Fulton County. I would think, however, that people in Atlanta, who, within themselves, constitute nearly 80% of the people of Fulton County, should have the same right as the other 20% of the citizens of Fulton County.

It is my hope that in the near future a meeting of the county commissioners and representatives of city government could be held in order that necessary steps could be planned to provide for a detailed professional study of both the needs and the beneficial results of a metropolitan government. Until this is done factually, I am afraid all of us will be limited in the information we can furnish in regards to the questions you raised.

Sincerely,

Ivan Allen, Jr.

IAJr:am

DICK LANE  
Representative, District 126  
2704 Humphries Street  
East Point, Georgia 30044



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## The House of Representatives

Atlanta, Georgia

October 23, 1967

Hon. Ivan Allen, Mayor  
City of Atlanta, Ga.  
City Hall  
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mayor Allen:

I take this opportunity to tell you that I found the speech informative and interesting that you delivered to the Fulton County Delegation at the Tech Motel.

You mentioned that you would never advocate merger or consolidation without the consent of all areas involved.

On the strength of this statement, do I understand that you or your administration would oppose, or at least not support, the Commission's plan to effect Atlanta and Fulton County school systems merger, through abolition of the Atlanta school system?

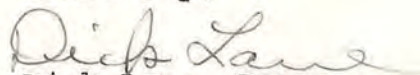
In effect, this plan would deny the citizens outside Atlanta a voice or vote in this matter that so vitally affects and concerns them.

So that I might keep the citizens of South Fulton informed, I would like to further inquire why the city of Atlanta, at this time, is interested only in consolidation in Fulton County?

I feel, as I am sure you do, that our citizens should be informed on matters that concern them.

I would appreciate it if you could take the time from your busy schedule to give to me the requested information so that I may pass it on to my constituents.

Sincerely,

  
Dick Lane, Rep.  
District 126

October 26, 1967

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Mr. Gerald T. Horton  
The Research Group, Inc.  
2342 National Bank of Georgia Bldg.  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

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Sincerely yours,

Ivan Allen, Jr.  
Mayor

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October 18, 1967

**CONFIDENTIAL**

**Hon. Richard C. Freeman  
26th floor  
First National Bank Building  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303**

**Dear Richard:**

**On behalf of Milton Farris who is Chairman of the City's Committee to consider merger of local governments, I should like very much for you to have lunch with us on Wednesday, October 25th at 12:30 p.m. in the Woodruff Room of the Commerce Club in order that we may have a private discussion of this matter.**

**Please let Ann Moses have your acceptance.**

**Sincerely yours,**

**Ivan Allen, Jr.  
Mayor**

**IAJr/br**



October 18, 1967

**CONFIDENTIAL**

Hon. G. Everett Millican  
500 Bishop Street, N. W.  
Atlanta, Georgia 30318

Dear Everett:

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October 18, 1967

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**Mr. Henry L. Bowden  
2614 First National Bank Building  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303**

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October 18, 1967

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**Honorable Harold Sheats  
County Attorney  
Fulton County Court House  
Atlanta, Georgia**

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October 18, 1967

**CONFIDENTIAL**

Honorable J. H. Aldredge, Chairman  
Fulton County Commissioners  
2560 Bankhead Highway, N. W.  
Atlanta, Georgia 30318

Dear Jim:

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October 18, 1967

**CONFIDENTIAL**

**Honorable Charlie Brown, Vice-Chairman  
Fulton County Commissioners  
P. O. Box 30  
Atlanta, Georgia 30301**

**Dear Charlie:**

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Mayor**

**IAJr/br**

October 18, 1967

**CONFIDENTIAL**

Honorable Walter M. Mitchell  
Fulton County Commissioners  
45 Montclair Drive, N. E.  
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Walter:

On behalf of Milton Farris who is Chairman of the City's Committee to consider merger of local governments, I should like very much for you to have lunch with us on Wednesday, October 25th at 12:30 p.m. in the Woodruff Room of the Commerce Club in order that we may have a private discussion of this matter.

Please let Ann Moses have your acceptance.

Sincerely yours,

Ivan Allen, Jr.  
Mayor

IAJr/br

October 18, 1967

**CONFIDENTIAL**

Hon. Milton G. Farris  
Gulf Oil Corporation  
P. O. Box 7245, Station C  
Atlanta, Georgia 30309

Dear Milton:

Attached is a copy of the letter I have sent to Aldermen Millican and Freeman, the three County Commissioners, our City Attorney and the County Attorney confirming the arrangements made to have lunch next Wednesday to discuss the merger. I have indicated "Confidential" on each letter with the hope that we could have a private discussion of this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Ivan Allen, Jr.  
Mayor

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PRESIDENT

October 3, 1967

Honorable Ivan Allen, Jr.  
Mayor, City of Atlanta  
200 City Hall  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Ivan:

I am enclosing a copy of Joe Heyman's work on city-county consolidation which I am sure you will want to take time to read and digest. There are a limited number of copies of this which are going to the three commissioners, Al Bows as the upcoming president of the Chamber, and Opie Shelton. Everyone concerned is being asked to treat the information as confidential at this time.

I would think that after we have all had an opportunity to study this, a second meeting might be in order.

Look forward to seeing you.

Sincerely yours,

*Billy*  
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AHS/frb



R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, the City of East Point, by the official seal, has existed since the year 1889; and

WHEREAS, a new city charter was granted by Act # 191, approved on March 5, 1957, and acts amendatory thereof, said acts purportedly amends an act to establish a new Charter approved August 19, 1912 (Ga. L. 1912, p. 862 et. seq.); and

WHEREAS, the City of East Point is the second largest city in the County of Fulton; and

WHEREAS, the City of East Point is reportedly the seventh largest city in the State of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, the governing authority of the City of East Point consists of the Mayor and eight members of City Council form of government; and

WHEREAS, this governing authority represents forty thousand plus citizens; and

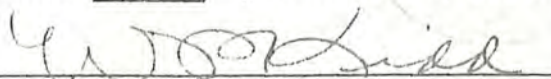
WHEREAS, there has been much deliberation on the part of the City of Atlanta and the County of Fulton concerning the merger of the two above mentioned governments; and

WHEREAS, the City of East Point is located in the County of Fulton and adjacent to the City of Atlanta;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST POINT that the Mayor and City Council of the City of East Point does hereby go on record as being unalterably opposed to any merger of the County of Fulton and the City of Atlanta that would deprive the citizens of the City of East Point of their guaranteed right to remain citizens of the City of East Point; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of East Point remain a separate entity by charter as granted by the State of Georgia, and the rights and privileges guaranteed under this charter remain in tact.

Introduced, considered and adopted this 16<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1967.

  
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City Clerk

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*A Mother Speaks  
of Nudism*

By

*Ruth Kirk*



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## *A Mother Speaks of Nudism*

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I think that as a rule the husband first becomes interested in nudism. The wife generally holds back a little and sometimes quite a bit. It is easier for the male to throw off his co-called modesty, and shyness. He is a little more used to seeing others of his own sex in the nude — in sports, on the job, etc. I think that women are reared more guardedly and instilled much more with the idea of the shame of exposing the nude body. We have so many inhibitions and complexes to get rid of. Both men and women.

Nudism usually starts at home. First the husband grows lax in dress — he runs around in shorts for a while before dressing — or from bath to bedroom with nothing on — or maybe he sits and reads the paper a while that way. The children start to copy him — they just naturally like to go nude anyway. You fuss at your husband for setting the example — it just isn't decent to let the children see you that way; you fuss at the children to put their clothes on. He likes the freedom of movement without clothes and knows the children do too, and tells you to let them alone and let them enjoy themselves. He coaxes you to try it. But you are horrified — the children will lose respect for their mother if they see her running around like that. And besides, what would the neighbors think? But after a while you catch yourself going from the bathroom to the bedroom quickly to get something you forgot or you dash to answer the telephone in the nude and one of the children catches you. And the child doesn't seem to be horrified at all — you are the one horrified and ashamed of your nude body. But still — you don't think it is right for decent people to act that way — the body is sinful and shameful and should be kept covered so as not to excite thoughts or give the children "ideas."

Then one night your husband brings home a nudist magazine he has seen on the news stand. You refuse to look at it. That filthy thing — imagine bringing that into the home where the children might see those nasty pictures. You are indignant at the whole matter and refuse to have anything to do with it. Your husband reads the articles and tells you about one or two

of them. About what a nudist camp is and the activities that go on there. How healthy it is for children — the outdoor living. Out of curiosity, one day when you are alone, you pick up the magazine and leaf through the pages. You see the posed pictures of the beautiful girls. You don't like them. Then after a while you look at the articles and glance through two or three of them. They do sound interesting, yes, but — you wonder what kind of people are those nudists, anyway. Sunworshippers? Exhibitionists? Fanatics of some sort? Some kind of religious cult? Why do they have to take all their clothes off to get the benefit of the sunlight, why not leave some little thing on to cover up their nakedness?

Your husband continues to discuss the subject occasionally. Finally you realize his seriousness and you sit down with him and discuss the matter of taking your family to a nudist camp. Your mental attitude has to go through quite a change. In order for you to make your first visit to a nudist camp a lot of the inhibitions and complexes you have carefully nurtured all these years have to be cast out; the false modesty you have been taught; the shame complex; the idea that you have a body that is sinful and shameful and it is obscene to show certain parts of it in public — especially in front of the opposite sex. Most of us have been brought up very strict morally, and nudism seems to be absolutely against everything we have been taught as a child. And then there are the children — supposing they told the neighbors — or their school chums — or Aunt Sally or Uncle Fred — what would you do?

And there is also a very personal fear — your figure isn't as pretty as those girls in the magazines. Supposing you went there and your husband saw someone prettier than you. Or perhaps you have a surgical scar — it would look so awful. And besides you would lose all your femininity and allure for your husband. You know the old saying, "Familiarity breeds contempt."

Your husband can see the benefits to be gained for his family. And as he becomes more insistent, you finally give in and say, well, all right, just this once. He writes to the local club, whose name and address is in the magazine, and finds out where their camp is and gets permission to visit. You pack a picnic lunch, load the children into the car and are on your way. You have varied feelings of fear, curiosity and bravado. You don't know what to expect. Is it really a place to take your children? What will they see there? You round a bend in the road, go through a gate, and suddenly you are there. You see a nude man chopping wood. There is a spirited game of volley ball going on. People down by the pool — children running back and forth, playing, swinging on the

swings and hardly anyone even turns his head as you drive in. You sit in the car a minute, taking it all in. Before you can make up your mind to get out of the car you are greeted cordially by one of the members and invited to get out and walk around the camp and see what is there. You are taken here and there and introduced to some of the members. Without apparently looking, you see all kinds of people: short, tall, slim, stout, all sorts of figures, both male and female, some with fine tans and some white and some pink with sunburn. You look at the inviting pool, the green lawn and the sun is warm. The children are tugging at your hand, begging to go in the pool, and can't we take our clothes off. Mommy? And suddenly you feel so conspicuous with your clothes on and you want to enjoy the sunshine and fresh air with the relaxed freedom these other people seem to have. You go to your car and disrobe, and the first step has been taken. The biggest step.

As time goes on, you find all your fears dispelled. As for your figure, you find there are some who look better than you do and some look worse. You have learned that physical limitations go unnoticed; they are entirely commonplace. You find that it is the individual, the personality that is important. You think of the different ones, not of their physical defects or beauty, but of their individuality — the effect that person has had on you. Their body is unimportant. You find that the moral standard is very high in a nudist camp. There is no liquor allowed, either on the premises or in the individual. There are no smutty stories told — no over display of affection — folks conduct themselves the same as on any public beach — only their conduct is better. You find there is no sex stimulation brought on by lack of clothing of anyone present. There is almost always a game of some kind going on — volley ball is the universal nudist sport; there is usually work to be done to improve or beautify the grounds.

Another thing, you find that the freedom of nudism intensifies the beauty of your marital relations. Your fears on that score were entirely unfounded.

As for the children — they are so healthy living in the fresh air and the sunlight this way — learning new and interesting things about the outdoors. They do not have the ingrained inhibitions you have had to overcome. To go without clothes is a perfectly natural thing for them. It is easy for them to understand that here they can go nude but in town they can't because everyone doesn't do it as they do at camp. And that is all the explanation they need. They look at you strangely if you try to bring out the shame of showing your body in public. You find in the future that your nudist life has made the answering of the children's questions in regard to growing up and

adulthood and their sexual problems much easier. They do not have the curiosity about the opposite sex other children have. They have seen and understand the differences in the human figure and explaining the functions of the different parts of the body is simple. They are easier in their attitudes toward other children. I do not mean freer — I mean easier. They do not have the shyness that other children have because of curiosity. They have a poise, a sureness — an attractive freshness — a wholesomeness — that comes from knowing they have a healthy body and a healthy mind, which is more important. They are not interested in sneaking down on burlesque row or reading books that have to be sneaked behind the barn or looking at obscene pictures. The facts of life are known to them and there is no vicarious thrill in these things. From my own experience — my fifteen year old boy came home to me one day and told me that some of the boys in his class had climbed up on the wall to peek in the windows of the girls' room so they could see the girls. I asked him if he did and he said why should he — he knew what girls looked like. He was disgusted with such behavior and said of they were all nudists that sort of thing could not happen. There is no record of a juvenile delinquent from a nudist family.

As time goes on, you will spend as much time as you can at the nudist camp because it is an inexpensive outing — the children love it — and it is something your whole family can take part in. No more husband going off fishing or golfing or something else, while you and the children stay home on Sundays. Now, everyone eagerly goes to the "country" for the day or the weekend. And that is because you have found the greatest thing for all — the thing that makes us nudists for the rest of our lives and makes us wish we had not wasted so many years accepting it. That is the freedom — **the utter freedom**. As I said before, in order to take the first step, you have already cast out some inhibitions and old conventionalities. And you get rid of more and more as you go along. You remember wondering why nudists have to take everything off — why not leave something on? You have found out why — because you have overcome the shame of the body — of certain parts of the body. You have found that one part is as beautiful as the other and each has its own natural function to do. There is nothing to be hidden — no reason for wearing "some little thing." Actually, now, you feel it is indecent and obscenely suggestive to cover parts of the body. You feel it is wrong for clothes to be worn for the purpose of concealment. Better that they be worn because of the inclement weather or because of the job being done or some other such reason. You have learned the thrill of the sunlight and the air and the breezes on your nude body — the smoothness with

which your body glides through the rippling water.

You have come to the point where you can hardly wait for the weekends to come around so you can go to camp and take off the clothes you have to wear all week in town because you have learned that the act of taking off your clothes and cleansing your body in the clean air includes cleansing your mind of all the nervous tensions and cares and worries that beset you daily at home; and you find utter relaxation. Absolute, utterly free rest and relaxation. And you go home rejuvenated not only in body but in mind. You get the feeling as you stand by your car and disrobe, that with your clothes you strip off the ugly, dirty world and here alone is peace and brotherhood with your fellow man. Here you find friendly, cordial people, broad of mind, tolerant, respectful of persons.

This is not something that happens immediately. For some, the transition to true nudism is quick. For others it takes quite a while. For some, it is easy to take their clothes off — but not so easy to take their minds off, so to speak — to take off the false veneer of conventionalities; to overcome the petty jealousies and possessiveness between husband and wife; the lustful thoughts towards others; the false shame of the body that is evidenced in these things. And when you do finally reach the understanding of the philosophy of nudism, you find your horizons unlimited, a great peace of mind, a richness in your enjoyment of life. You have found that freedom. And you bless the day you agreed to go to the nudist camp.



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TO: Dan Sweat

FROM: Ivan Allen, Jr.

- For your information
- Please refer to the attached correspondence and make the necessary reply.
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Betty

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Allen - OK  
Farris - OK  
/ Milligan - OK ✓  
/ Freeman - OK ✓  
/ Brown ✓  
/ Aldredge ✓  
/ Tuttle ✓  
/ Sowden - yes - ✓  
/ Sheats - OK ✓

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1968 Issue

R. Earl Landers

Jan. 1, 1967	3,556,000.
1967 Paid Bonds	1,025,000.
1967 Growth. (60,000,000)	2,400,000.
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