April 29, 1969

Mr. Edwin L. Sterne Chairman Atlanta Housing Authority Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Edwin:

Please express my regrets that I cannot be present at the dinner honoring M. B. Satterfield for his years of service on the Atlanta Housing Authority, and his additional years of service in the low income housing field beginning with the Techwood Project in Atlanta in 1936.

I am sure that Satt has a warm feeling of real accomplishment when he looks back over the years of his satisfactory work in providing housing for the poor. All of the good that he has done could be multiplied by the number of days of pleasant existence which thousands of Atlanta families have enjoyed.

Atlanta stands at the very top in America in recognizing the fundamental need for low income housing. On a relative basis, we have outstripped the other national cities in building these fine units; and, Mr. Satterfield has been the Executive Director during this period of greatest accomplishment, and he is entitled to the grateful appreciation of the people of Atlanta.

Please express my gratitude, personally and officially, to Satt for his major contribution during these dynamic years.

Sincerely,

Ivan Allen, Jr.