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

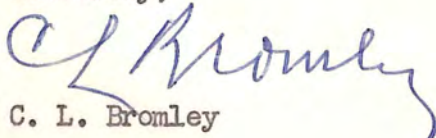
Dear Sir:

You were not voicing the opinion of the people whom it is presumed you are serving when you appeared yesterday before the Commerce Committee in Washington, D. C. As you well know, the business and the political interests - not to mention the tax-paying masses - are unalterably opposed to the Kennedys' pending Civil Rights legislation.

Playing politics, as a candidate or nominee, when running for office, is anticipated but, once in office, it is expected that, of all officials, the Mayor will represent, speak for and protect the best interests of all the people. Your performance, as the Chief Executive of Atlanta, in speaking ONLY for political expediency, is inexcusable in my opinion - and the people of Atlanta are due a public apology.

In any event, I think the people are entitled to a full and complete clarification of the apparent previously prepared statement which you read before the Commerce Committee yesterday.

Sincerely,



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