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New York, N. Y.

Dear Mayor Allen,

My husband and I have just heard your reaction to the victory of Hester Maddox, and we want to thank you for speaking out wisely and courageously. We are temporarily misplaced Southerners who are appalled at the victory of the Wallaces and the Maddoxes and at the silence and seeming non-existence of the Southern Moderates. I hope that your words will encourage some show of commitment from other moderates. However, right now the view of down there from up here simply couldn't be worse. Please keep trying.

Sincerely,  
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