October 19, 1961.

Dear Sir:

After reading your editorial "Calm Cooperation Pays Off",
in The Atlanta Journal, Wednesday, October 10, 1961, re-
garding Cascade Heights, we agree that a community organiza-
tion is the best instrument for a workable solution to our
racially troubled housing problems. Our communities, Grove
Park and Center Hill, have had an organization of this type
chartered by the State of Georgia since 1941, known as the
West Side Development Company.

The people of our communities have stood by us with their
money and support. In the past nine years, we have purchased
thirty nine houses in order to preserve our White Communities.

We have made agreements with the Mayor's former Bi-Racial
Committee and the Empire Realty Board and while we have faith-
fully honored our agreement, we regret that the agreement has
been and is still being violated by some members of the
Empire Realty Board. As a result, we have been a target of
block-busting tactics for the past three years at a great
expense to our communities.

Our people are also entitled to be put at ease and we
welcome the calm cooperation of the responsible parties
especially since our agreements were negotiated previous
to the promises now being offered other communities. Should
anyone conscientiously think that if these agreements are
not honored with the peoples of Northwest Atlanta, the
citizens of Cascade Heights and Southwest Atlanta can be put
at ease.

Yours truly,

J. Homer Clark, President
WEST SIDE DEVELOPMENT CO.

(Grove Park)

cc: Letters to the Editor, The Atlanta Journal
Mayor William B. Hartsfield
Board of Aldermen, City of Atlanta
Alderman James W. Vickers, 3rd Ward
Alderman William T. Knight, 3rd Ward
Empire Realty Board
Mr. Harold Ramsey, Acting Chairman SW Citizens Comm.
Mr. G. R. Bilderback, Pres. Grove Park Civic League.

Harold, this is done for our mutual
benefit. Don't let the newspapers or
The Empire Realty Board lull Cascade Hgts.
to sleep with promises. Remember if nothing
else in that area is disturbed they feel
or will later, that everything near them
on Gordon Rd to Fairburn Rd is not not
considered part of Cascade Hgts.
Truly J Homer C