## September 14, 1966

Mr. P. W. Brandon
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Dear Mr. Brandon:

Mayor Allen has requested me to acknowledge your letter of September 7, 1966.

You are no doubt aware that the Atlanta firemen were told repeatedly that the City could neither legally nor financially grant their request during 1966. They were assured by resolution of the Board of Aldermen that they would receive both a salary increase and a reduction in work hours on January 1, 1967. This they chose to ignore.

City officials including the Personnel Director, the Chief of the Fire Department, the Mayor and the entire Board of Aldermen feel that the position taken by the City regarding the striking firemen is in the best interest of all of our citizens.

It is our understanding from Chief C. H. Hildebrand that the Southeastern Board of Fire Underwriters together with representatives of individual insurance companies have conferred with the Chief regarding the fire protection being rendered, and there has been no indication on the part of anyone that

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there will be an increase in fire insurance rates. If you have any information to the contrary, I am sure that Chief Hildebrand would appreciate being advised of it.

Please be assured that City officials will continue to seek a reasonable solution to the problem.

Very truly yours,

R. Earl Landers Administrative Assistant

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CC: Chief C. H. Hildebrand