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Mr. George L. Aldridge, Jr. Director Community Improvement Program City Hall 68 Mitchell Street, S. W. Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Aldridge:

Subject: Project No. Ga. R-97(CRP)

Community Renewal Program

Approval of Housing Costs Study

The Housing Costs Study for the Atlanta Community Improvement Program has been reviewed and found to be satisfactory.

It is recommended that the Model Cities Agency be advised of the following:

- a. To consider the recommendations and conclusions contained in the Housing Costs Study in planning relocation resources, especially as they concern housing preferences, timing of development of resources, treatment of particular neighborhoods or sub-areas, the style and cost of housing and full utilization of HUD-assisted housing programs.
- b. To coordinate the Study recommendations with proposed NDP activities within the Model Cities Area.
- c. To include in the Relocation Program for the Model Cities Area the matters included in paragraph a above, in addition to reviewing estimates of displacement found in the Study.
- d. Relative to housing resources proposed for relocation of residents in or from the Model Cities Area, displacement should not exceed the supply of new housing which can be assured of development within the same displacement period. In view of the experimental nature of the Model Cities effort and the recommendations in the Study to use all possible methods and programs to keep housing prices low, it may be necessary and desirable to show resources on a year-to-year basis with first year displacement limited to the resource supply for that

year, allowing the time for development of innovative housing programs and in attaining necessary sponsorship on an open-ended basis. This would require assurance that displacement and resource supply will be reviewed annually with amended Relocation Programs provided to HUD for concurrence before displacement occurs.

Sincerely yours,

Acting for

Assistant Regional Administrator

for Renewal Assistance

cc: Mr. Fountain