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

Dear Mayor Allen:

I should like to send you a brief word of thanks in behalf of my family and friends for the testimony which you gave before the Senate Commerce Committee last week. Your forthright support of legislation to eliminate the evils of segregation has not gone unnoticed or unappreciated. I salute you for your wisdom and your courage.

Without question the progress made in Atlanta has been an example to the whole country. Fortunately, Nashville is also making progress, but other cities in Tennessee and in the states further south of us have a long way to move. May you keep up the good work and win the support of all fair-minded citizens of your city, state and country.

Yours truly,



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