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Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr. City of Atlanta City Hall - Second Floor Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mayor:

I appreciate very much your time and your kind ear in listening to a dream of mine and Ray's and other people trying to do something on a model city that would be worthwhile for everyone and that might be the type city that would give the people the opportunity to do better things in life by giving them the environment and the challenge which they greatly need. I am positive that from a standpoint of building, designing, planning, and producing a city of this type, that I could do it. My problem is the same old problem I know has haunted and faced you throughou your great public office and that is how do you get the politicians to agree to zone and let you accomplish this in a certain area and also how to get the necessary employment transportation and money to do the job. I feel so strong if there were some way we could cut through the red tape and in some way receive a grant from the Government to do this job, and if it could be done by someone with experience in this business, such as myself, we could save the Government millions of dollars as well as be done in such a manner that it could truly be a model city for everyone to look up to.

I readily realize that it cannot answer every need for everyone and that it could not provide the necessary requirements to meet all of the minor regulations which the Government insist on in public housing, however, I think that if it could be done the way that I would like to do it, it would give the people twice as much for their money as they are now getting out of the Government if the Government 100% subsidized it. It is my belief that if this could be done, shortly we would be producing assets in humanbeings instead of liabilities. I also feel that if we could clear out the area in the inner core area of Atlanta that our blight area could give people the same opportunity to move into the city then selling this back to private industry to develop into better housing that we could soon balance our inner core area with the higher income group as well as our low income group.

Maybe all of this is just a dream, however, we feel that if we are going to have a strong city and a strong nation, somebody is going to have to take the bull by the horns and do some of these things rather than sitting around and allowing politicians to control whole counties to prevent such as this happening. I know how strongly you feel about this and I am a great admirer of yours for what you have done for the City of Atlanta. I am hoping that you will really think strongly about continuing on as our Mayor and not resigning. December 27, 1968

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I would also like for you to think about tying the model city in with the airport even if we had to take the option separate and apart from the airport property. In my opinion, this would make the automatic employment and the upgrading of the people that we need.

Wishing you a very happy, healthy, and prosperous new year.

Sincere regards,

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