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ATLANTA 22, GEORGIA

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

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Mayor Ivan Allen  
City Hall  
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mayor Allen:

I have just read the report of your appearance before the committee in Washington yesterday. I am heartened by your courageous and enlightened stand. Your timely and forthright statements stand in happy contrast to the irresponsible and emotional tirades to which I listened recently when I attended the meeting sponsored by the Citizens Council at the Dinkler Hotel.

You have done our city, our region and our nation a great service by publicly supporting the pending Civil Rights legislation.

Sincerely yours,

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