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Dear Mayor Allen:

Many of us are shocked by the political arrests of Stokely Carmichael and other civil rights staff membership and leaders. Reliable reports show that it was the actions of the police that incited the violence and created an atmosphere of tension. Your arrest of civil rights activists and attack on the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee is provocative and demonstrates ~~an~~ an unwillingness to acknowledge root causes (poverty, racism, police brutality), which seems surprising when coming from moderate Atlanta.

I urge you to free the political prisoners and deal with the real problems.

Sincerely,
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