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955 Parsons St. S.W., Atlanta, I4 Ga., July 30, 1963.

Mayor Ivan Allen Jr., City Hall, Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Mr. Allen;

May I take this opportunity to congratulate you for your forthright testimony before the Commerce Committee of United States Senate in Washington D.C., recently and the fine words spoken in behalf of the local Negro and white leadership in attempting to solve our

manifold problems.

We know that it took courage of the hignest order to speak out as you did and one of the syndicated columists said that "Mayor Allen Jr., of Atlanta broke the patternnof southern antagonism to President Kennedy's civil rights program Friday by urging Congress to outlaw racial discrimination in restaurants, hotels, and other private businesses."

Further as a city we have made much progress under your administration as Mayor of all of the people of greater Atlanta, and before the end of your regime, we are confident of making further gains as a cosmo-

politan center.

In reviewing the results of the mayoralty race, we were pleased

to note that our Seventh Ward gave you a total of II,235 votes, and the city-wide total of votes for your candidacy was 64,227 votes.

Please accept this note as a token of our appreciation, and again may I say, -"Thank you Mr. Mayor", for your fine support of the public accommodations section of the Civil Rights Bill now before The Congress.

We beg to remain

Yours sincerely.

Harold H. Thomas . Leader

Precinct D, Seventh Ward.

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