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Honorable Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor of the City of Atlanta
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Re: Rawson-Washington Urban
Renewal Project
Martin Luther King, Jr., Village
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mayor Allen:

I am writing at the request of Dr. Martin Luther King, Sr., in reply to your letter of May 31, 1968, regarding the progress of the above captioned project. Please be advised that the Application-Project Mortgage Insurance (FHA Form 2013) with preliminary plans and specifications were submitted to the Atlanta Insuring Office of the Federal Housing Administration this morning, June 3, 1968. The Federal Housing Administration has expressed its eagerness and willingness to expedite the processing of this case in order to provide this needed housing at the earliest possible date.

A considerable amount of time and effort has been expended by the Ebenezer Baptist Church and its representatives to insure the development of a residential community which embodies the most advanced thinking in multifamily living.

Our development plan provides for a high rise building consisting of twelve stories, presenting a panorama view of downtown Atlanta, the express ways and the spacious splendor of the City. This is the first attempt to develop a high rise construction under Section 221(d)(3) of the National Housing Act in the City of Atlanta. With the increasing awareness of the need for high rise residential facilities, it is imperative that low to moderate income families, especially families without children, are provided for in high rise construction in Central City. Larger families will find spacious accommodations in 2, 3 or 4-bedroom size units with the 3 and 4 bedroom units designed with 1 1/2 baths. All low rise units are town houses and garden type, two-story walk-up apartments, with ample

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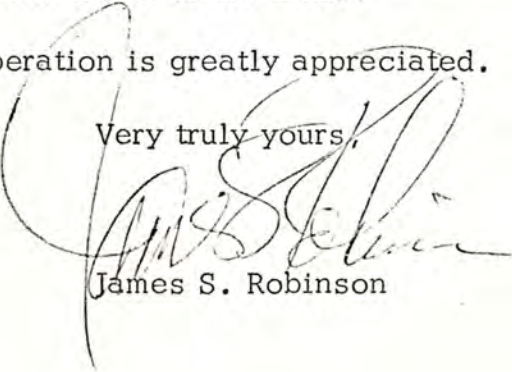
play areas and enclosed patios. A pedestrian walkway, free of vehicle traffic, allows for safe access throughout the development.

A community shopping center consisting of approximately 7,000 square feet form an integral part of this development concept which will provide the daily essentials for residents and the general community. In addition, an office building complex of approximately 3200 square feet, is incorporated in this community center, providing space for professional offices and convenient type stores and shops. A day nursery designed to accommodate preschool-age children of working mothers has been given special study and the result of this intensive investigation regarding the special needs of these children are reflected in our day-care center. A coin-operated laundry facility is also provided. Our development plan utilizes open spaces and green belts in order to provide a character of individuality and sense of pride and appreciation. The total 193 unit complex will be served by central air conditioning and heating.

We feel that Martin Luther King, Jr., Village will be an exciting and important addition to the City of Atlanta and a major step forward in the development of residential communities in urban areas.

Your continued interest and cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,



James S. Robinson

cc: Martin Luther King, Sr.
Mr. Cary S. Hooks
Mr. Cecil Alexander
Mr. Albert Thompson