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The Honorable Mayor I. Allen
Atlanta City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia

Honorable Sir:

Statement Of:

Capitol Avenue School Faculty and Staff

We, the members of the capitol Avenue School Faculty and Staff herewith present a statement of commendation to our Mayor, the Police Force, and interested citizens who demonstrated concern and fortitude by their presence during the recent upheaval in our immediate community.

It is regrettable that such an incident could happen in our community. This incident has further brought into sharp focus the glaring needs and frustrations of the people of this community and, more especially, our children and youth.

As a result of our observation, exposure, and participation in the life of this community, we find these needs most urgent:

1. The development of low-rent housing for low-income families.
2. Enforced housing codes and sanitary codes for both landlords and tenants.
3. Some means of encouraging businesses in this area to improve the physical facilities and to adhere to enforcement of licensing facilities and business practices, as well as health standards and the better business code.
4. To eliminate double sessions and over crowded conditions by erecting more and better designed schools.

5. A well equipped and staffed community center.
6. Adequate parks and supervised play grounds.
7. Day Care centers for children of working low income families.
8. Expanded public health facilities and services to meet the needs of this impacted community.
9. Some provisions for the rehabilitation of the unemployable-the aged and the physically and mentally handicapped.

We strongly urge that our capable city administrators attend and implement the existing forces necessary to meet the stated needs.

These needs are critical, yet, we as educators, are likewise concerned about the attitudes and behavior patterns of the children whom we serve, and who represent the future citizens of this community and our great city of Atlanta.

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