

Sept. 29

Dear Mayor Allen,

I would like to extend my congratulations and thanks to you for your courageous statement over nation-wide television tonight. My parents and I and all responsible Georgians are proud of the stand you have taken against that bigoted, ~~stupid~~ stupid, hate-mongering, high school dropout. It's a sad day for progress and sanity in Georgia but we must all take hope that soon voices of intelligence and reason such as yours, Governor Sanders, and Mr. Magill will win out in the state and we can once again feel proud of our state. Until that day all that we can do is vigorously oppose Mr. Maddox and his wave of race hysteria. I feel ashamed of Georgia but knowing that there are men fighting "the good fight" lessens the shame and makes the fight seem worth the effort. Congratulations once again for your stand and for the job you are doing for the best city in the country, Atlanta.

Sincerely,
Jim Parmenter

V.S. If you should happen to see Mr. Maddox,
you might suggest he send a thank-you
note to Stokely Carmichael of SNCC.
We all appreciate your valiant efforts
for racial harmony and applaud your
fine effort to prevent racial unrest.