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Mayor Ivan Allen Jr.  
City of Atlanta  
Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Mayor Allen;

I would like to express my deepest appreciation for your stand and convictions against SNCC and the racial hatred that they represent.

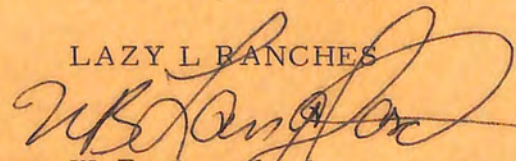
The recent rioting and racial troubles occurring in northern cities has to some degree vindicated the South for the slander and castigation by northern authorities and press directed toward the South during the race problems last winter. Their view point changed 360 degrees when the trouble was in their own back yard.

It is very encouraging to see that you are willing to stand for the principles of justice and law and order, and to meet these agitators face to face. Your firm action was effective since the leader of SNCC felt that he was much safer back north.

I have had the fortune to be in Atlanta twice, and it is my observation that all cities both north and south should use your fine city as an example. Atlanta, Mayor Allen, is a credit to this country and I am grateful that it is in the South and only wish that Texas had a "Atlanta".

Most respectfully yours,

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