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Dear Sir,

As a resident of Atlanta I am voicing a strong protest against the illegal lies and immoral practise of block-busting tactics used against the residents of the Peyton-Utoy Forest Area. To be specific it has been a common place practise by negroes to repeatedly ride through the Area and park in front of residences then debarking from their car and standing by the roadside pointing out various features of the homes. This undoubtedly is being done so an impression will be gained that the owner of said property is considering selling to a negro. In conjunction with this, repeated telephone calls are and have been made by negro realties to property owners who have posted For Sale and including those who have repeatedly stated that their homes are not for sale. In all cases without exception they inferred that it was only a question of time that these homes would be sold to negroes as they have obtained confidential listings in the area. Careful inquirers by residents of this area have proved that such confidential listing have not been made. These and other means have been and are being used.

I therefore strongly urge that you use the powers of your office to stop these unfair practises that are jeopardizing, which entails a life savings and hopes of the citizens of this area. This needless to say is your bound moral and legal responsibility as Mayor of the city of Atlanta.

Sincerely,

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