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Hon. Kevin H. White  
Mayor Of Boston, Mass.

MAYOR'S OFFICE

Dear Mr. White:

As Mayor of a small town in Miss. I want to express my sympathy to you and your Adm. in these trying times in your city.

I do not intend to gloat over this or try to rub it in on you but there are a few things I would like to point out to you that has happened to us in the south an all aided and abetted by the very people in your area that don't like it now that the shoe is on the other foot. You can live thru it because we have already done it here. Your people will never like it but they can be forced to accept it.

Remember a few years ago when all of the south was spending millions of dollars to try to equalize the schools and overnight our wonderful supreme court over turned a ruling that had been the law of the land for hundreds of years. Of course the south resisted this because most of the people here felt and still feel they should be able to send their children to the school of their choice, Yet the feelings and desires of our good people were trod in the ground by bayonet yielding soldiers and trigger happy U.S. marshals

Many honorable men from the South tried in vain to warn the nation as to what was going to happen, among them was our distinguished senators Stennis and Eastland, who were maligned, cursed and called racists and bigots. Sen. Bilbo who was duly elected by our people was kicked out of office by the politicians from your area.

I can understand how you feel now about the situation but there are some things I do not understand. Where are the Peabodys, The Kennedys, that send their children to private schools and all the other big wheels up there that shed so many tears and low rated our citizens when we were being forced to go thru this transition that completely interrupted our way of life and changed a

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pattern that was legal and right for hundreds of years?

Where is the mighty army that invaded Little Rock and were so blood thirsty that they bayoneted private citizens in their own yard. Where are all those powerful, trigger happy U.S. Marshals that took over the campus of OLE MISS. and caused the death of several citizens. Where are all the Northern freedom riders and other racists organizations that invaded our land. The ones who lay down in the streets, blocked the doorways of business people, cursed and spit on our policemen and even committed sex acts in public in broad daylight?

Where are all the T.V. cameras and bleeding heart newsmen that would even stage a demonstration to make us look bad? Now Mayor, if you think you have troubles you should have suffered thru this with us down here. The most disturbing thing to me is the fact that the people in your area who were so bitter against us and so anxious to shove intergration down our throat, yet when the exact same thing comes to them they are bitterly opposed to it. Do they think they are exempt from the same laws they shoved down our throat? Each and every Federal law should be enforced nationwide, just as strong in one area as another regardless of the opposition, otherwise it is discrimination and that seems to be the name of the game now days.

Mayor White, I really do feel sorry for you and your adm. because I know you are going thru trying times and it is my prediction that we haven't seen anything unless this stupid bussing for ratio isn't stopped. Perhaps now your people will force your politicians to help put a stop to it.

I live in a small county and we now have only one public school. We don't know what a neighborhood school is anymore. Some of our students are bussed as much as thirty miles each way. They have to leave their homes before daylight but they still go to school. That is why I say you can live thru it. Your people will not like it and their only solution is to sacrifice and set up their own private schools.

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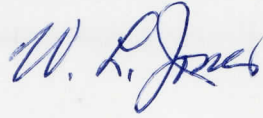
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In closing, I have this to say. It is my earnest hope that all the power of the Federal Government will be used to desegregate every school in the north just as it has been used in our area. Any thing different from this is absolutely wrong. If you ever have the time, come down south and you can see how forced intergration can work. It is not good foreither but you can live with it.

Very Sincerely Yours.



Mayor, Bude, Miss.