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Dear Mr Mayor,

Please let me begin ~~my~~ <sup>MAYOR'S OFFICE</sup> letter by first saying I was born in Massachusetts and resided there for twelve years. I am now a New Hampshire resident but I plan to live in or near the Hub after I complete my training at Ft. Polk.

I am writing because of my strong concern regarding forced busing of school children to obtain a racial balance in the Boston Public School System. My own opinion is that there are other ways to obtain equal education for all children, so I'd like to make a suggestion of my own.

Just I feel that the quality of education within the black community is at question here. I suggest that all teachers within the Boston School System be screened by a committee of concerned citizens qualified to make sound judgments. This committee would be made up to represent all ethnic groups in Boston.

The way this committee would work is each teacher would be brought before ~~the~~ <sup>its</sup> members and the Teacher would present his or her qualifications and credentials to them. After a review of the teachers' records the committee would then





choose either to accept or reject this teacher. If the teacher is accepted the committee would then vote and assign each one to a school. This in my opinion ~~not~~ would stop the argument of poor teachers in the poor communities.

Also in this plan certain schools that lack modern teaching aids and are in need of renovation would be determined by a vote of the committee which in turn would make their vote known to the Mayor who in turn would act on it.

My plan would allow school children to attend their neighborhood schools and receive <sup>the</sup> equal, quality education guaranteed under the law.

It is my hope you will consider my plan and it is my prayer that Boston will be able to rally together and solve this problem peacefully ~~and~~ <sup>to</sup> make Boston a stronger city in the Future

Sincerely yours,  
Pvt. [REDACTED]

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