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Dear Mr. Lillie:

The Board of Directors of the Greater Newark Council of Churches wishes to commend you and the members of the Commission for a very revealing, thorough and intensive report. You have spent many hours in an examination of last summer, its causes and its aftermath. In the process you have made a real and lasting contribution to the people of this state and indeed of our nation.

Recognizing that the report is not without criticism even from those who are overwhelmingly appreciative of its contents, nevertheless we feel that you have helped us all to understand better the dimension of the problems which confront us in our cities and some of the unavoidable courses of action which all of us must be willing to take if we are to meet the urban crisis.

The significance of the report is indicated further in the response of the officials of the City of Newark by their moving already to implement some of the report's recommendations. We are hopeful that we can go further and begin to build the kind of healthy city and relationships among peoples that will make Newark the kind of place that many of us feel it can and should be.

We covet the opportunity of working with the various levels of government, public and private agencies and with community groups in the implementation of the Commissions's recommendations.

Sincerely yours

Kim W. Jefferson, Executive Secretary

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