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Dear Phil,

Please allow me the opportunity to express my heartfelt appreciation for the hard work and endless hours you spent making King Week '89 an extraordinary occasion. I felt that something very special happened this year. I felt you had a renewed commitment and a oneness of purpose toward our mission. The King Center staff unified and worked as a team consequently, a spirit of excitement and enthusiasm was engendered in the overall community.

The National Holiday commemorating Martin's birthday is a time for all of us at the King Center to reflect on his teachings and to reawaken hope to the nation and the world that each act of kindness, each example of unity and each act of justice brings us closer to the Beloved Community. As Martin reminds us in his "I have a Dream" speech, "now is the time to lift our nation from the quicksands of racial injustice to the solid rock of brotherhood".

As staff, you are so intimately involved with the day to day realities of King Week, that you often loose sight of the critical role you play in bringing us closer to Martin's dream. We all, sometimes, forget that the world community has its eyes on Atlanta and we set the tone and example for others to emulate. King Week '89 was a stunning success, but only because of your dedication, your motivation and your hard work. Thank you, again, for the important role you played in bringing us one step closer to realizing the Beloved Community.

Sincerely yours,

Coretta Scott King

I take this opportunity to thank you for the many ways in which you help us advance Dr. King's dream. Your contribution in enabling Dexter to do what he is doing so well is deeply appreciated.

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