

4053 Arbor Way  
Charlotte, North Carolina  
April 10, 1968

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Honorable Governor Dan K. Moore  
State Capitol  
Raleigh, North Carolina

Dear Governor Moore:

As a member of one of the Charlotte Churches sending a telegram requesting passage of Civil Right legislation including Open Housing, I would like to state that I am opposed to the Open Housing Bill. I am also opposed to voting on passage of any Civil Rights legislation until rioting, looting, and lawlessness come to a halt.

The legislative branch of our government has an awesome responsibility to weigh wisely and conscientiously the passage of laws affecting all citizens and this should not take place during a wave of extreme emotionalism, as is now present following the tragic assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, or any other national figure.

In the telegram sent this week it is stated that these people have been previously silent and left legislation to extreme elements, and that they now feel compelled to speak on the subject of human dignity, decency, and freedom. The Church is a place of worship and for mourning the death of individuals, not a place for politics and sudden emotional involvement in law-making. If these same people who signed the telegram go to the polls on election day and make their choices known after careful consideration of each candidate, then they can feel free to write their representatives and make their wishes known in a sincere and rational way.

Sincerely yours,

*Lura K. Kester*

(Mrs. John M.) Lura K. Kester

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April 12, 1968

Mrs. John M. Kester  
4053 Arbor Way  
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Dear Mrs. Kester:

Thank you for your letter opposing the passage of any civil rights legislation until rioting, looting, and lawlessness come to an end.

There is no question that the maintenance of peace and order must be our first business. I am glad to have your thoughtful comments, and appreciate your taking the time to write.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Dan Moore

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