Dear Sir,

I have been following you, ever since you tried to enroll in the University of Mississippi. It has been difficult to understand your problem, due to the fact that all of our newspapers vary in their feelings towards you and your people. But never-the-less I feel you are being paid a severe injustice by all the people who are against you entering the University, or for that matter I feel anyone who is judged just by the colour of his skin is being unduly persecuted. I just can’t understand why the people of the south persist to revive the Civil War and while doing this are once again discriminating against the Negro Race. I think they are blinded by vengeance merely because you are trying to live by your rights which are clearly stated in the Constitution of the United States. If this would merely stop to think that their brothers, sisters, fathers and mothers died so that all people can live as free human beings. How can they call themselves God-fearing people and openly kill and persecute your people.

The other night I watched a T. V. show which interviewed your father. I would just like to tell you, I hold a lot of respect for him. There must have been many times when he wasn’t sure whether you would eat or not, and yet by hard work, and hard work only he managed to educate you, your brothers, and sisters. You should be very proud of your father, as well be might of you.