

March 31, 1989

All-America City Award Program
National Civic League
1601 Grant Street
Suite 250
Denver, CO 80203

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find Reston's All-America City Award application for this year's contest. However, please note that we are resubmitting last year's application for reconsideration because we were unfairly judged last year and because of the late notification, an appeal was not possible.

I In Ms. Moore's May 26, 1988 letter to me, a copy enclosed, we were informed that we were not selected because we had not achieved self-government and because we did not have a close relationship with our local government - we take strong exceptions to both these reasons.

First, to be rated negatively because Reston does not have governmental status, is inappropriate, because governmental status was not a criteria for eligibility to apply or to be awarded All-America City Status. However, we did point out that we are actively seeking governmental status. Second, the reason indicating our lack of close relationship with the local government (Fairfax County) is contrary to our statements in the application. In fact, our County Supervisor, Martha Pennino is one of our key active leaders and sponsors. Also, as pointed out in the application we worked closely with the county to bring the Homeless Shelter to Reston as well as with State Hospital Officials to bring the OB unit to Reston.

Thus, we believe it only fair that we be reconsidered for this year's All-America City Award Contest and we look forward to Reston being named an All-America City.

Sincerely,

Charles D. McGuire
President

Enclosures