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The Honorable Ed Koch  
Mayor  
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Dear Mayor Koch:

Medgar Evers College is attempting to obtain the Peck Pavillion of the Methodist Hospital as an addition to permanent campus.

Such an acquisition is both desirable and beneficial. The land comprises a landscaped, city block in Crown Heights bordered by Crown and Montgomery Streets, and Troy and Albany Avenues. The site is easily accessible by public transportation and is within walking distance to several schools, churches and cultural facilities.

The City fiscal crisis forced Medgar Evers College to lose access to rented buildings used for classrooms and office space. For the past two years, personnel of the College have been restricted to over-crowded quarters. Increasing the need for space is the rise in the grants budget of the College that has required the hiring of additional staff. Aquisition of the Peck Pavillion would provide room for greatly needed expansion of faculty offices as well as additional library and class locations.

The property has been assessed at a value of over \$1 million. Purchase of this site at a price of \$1 million for the use of Medgar Evers College would be a wise investment for the future.

Following careful review of the City University's Master Plan, I hope funding for the purchase of the Peck Pavillion will be made available.

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I look forward to hearing from you regarding this matter  
in the near future.

All best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

Fred Richmond

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