347 North Ripley Street Montgomery, Alabama July 8, 1959

Mrs. Laura B. McCray Secretary to the Chaplin Tuskegee Institute Tuskegee Institute, Alabama

Dear Mrs. McCray:

Thank you for your very kind letter of July 7. I am certainly most appreciative to you for your very generous remarks concerning my message at the Alabama State Women's Convention in Birmingham. I only hope that I was able to impress the audience to the point that those who composed it will rededicate themselves to the Task and will work more diligently for the freedom of all humanity.

I am enclosing a biographical sketch and glossy photo, herewith. I am not certain just when I will leave Montgomery for Tuskegee. It may be that I will leave on Saturday afternoon. However, in any case, I must leave Tuskegee immediately following the close of the service for Montgomery. I am very pleased to inform you that I will preach on the sermon topic theme, "The Imperishible Dream," using Genesis 37:1-20 as my scripture reference.

I do look forward to seeing you on Sunday. Mrs. Abernathy and the children join with me in sending best wishes and warmest regards. I remain

Sincerely yours,

Ralph D. Abernathy (AS)

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Enclosure

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