

Sept. 5, 1974

Dear [REDACTED]

As you probably know, there is much confusion in Boston about forced busing. I believe it is right for people to be intergrated, and for the under-privileged blacks to have equal rights, but I don't believe it is right to people, for them to have to bus their children to other schools outside of their communities. Instead of spending lots of money on buses and gas, why don't we build more recreation parks, such as swimming pools, ice skating rinks, Boys' Clubs, Girls' Clubs and sport teams? Instead of starting with the children, would you suggest that more people allow blacks in their neighborhood? I have a deep feeling that after the oldest generation die, and the middle generation die, people will not be prejudiced, but as of now, we still have prejudice people. The problem is now. Please give ^{forced} busing some serious thought, because I don't want to leave my neighborhood school.

The reason I wrote to you is because I

you are a man who will do something for the
children of Boston.

Thank you.

Yours with all love,

Age 11, Grade 6

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"Judge Garity"