West End Citizens Association, Washington, D.C., October 21, 1963.

Hon. Alan Bible, Chairman, District of Columbia Committee, U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C.

DEAR SENATOR BIBLE: The West End Citizens Association, at its regular meeting on October 16, by unanimous vote, passed a resolution to endorse H.R. 7525, the omnibus crime bill, and to urge its early enactment.

We will appreciate your efforts toward enactment of this legislation.

Sincerely yours,

PATRICIA M. KEEGAN, Secretary.

Capitol Hill Southeast Citizens Association, Inc., Washington, D.C., October 15, 1963.

Senator Alan Bible, Chairman, Senate Committee on Crime, U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C.

DEAR SENATOR BIBLE: The Capitol Hill Southeast Citizens Association definitely supports the strongest crime bill as brought over from the House District Committee and House of Representatives as possible.

Your wise judgment may suggest better means by which law and order can be restored in the U.S. Capital, but the House of Representatives tried very hard to give the police of Washington support, in order that crime may be decreased.

Many discussions over the matter have taken place since the stadium riot occurred last fall. Crime can be controlled in Washington, D.C. Please do the best you can to make it safe for people to walk the streets of this city or work in their own gardens or be safe from attacks in shops and banks. So long as an easy policy is provided for the criminal to operate in, just so long will danger lurk everywhere in the Nation's Capital.

Thank you for your efforts. Please place this letter in the record.

Sincerely yours,

ELIZABETH DRAPER, Secretary.

WASHINGTON, D.C., November 7, 1963.

Re H.R. 7525, title I. Senator Alan Bible, Chairman, Senate District Committee, Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C.:

When conditions force citizens to hold meetings in their homes for the purpose of discussing ways and means to secure protection against criminals and protection of their homes from housebreakers, it indicates a situation which merits, and usually secures, attention and help from our lawmakers.

Is this taking place in a Washington slum area? No; instead, it is in the Spring Valley neighborhood, where the precinct 8 police station has approximately 37 unsolved housebreakings reported in only 1 month, October 1963. The total for 1963, up to November 1, is 186.

The police are working on this long list of cases, but the criminals responsible are still at large. We, District propertyowners, are worried and alarmed. The women of the neighborhood are especially stirred by the continuing danger. The police, in their efforts to protect persons and property from criminals, need all the assistance possible. They confirm the fact that the *Mallory* rule is a handi-

The Senate District Committee, by recommending modifications of the *Mallory* rule, in a manner satisfactory to the police department, will remove this important stumbling block lying in the way of the conviction of the criminals who are daily adding to Washington's mounting crime rate.

who are daily adding to washington's monthing that they realize the danger that they realize the danger that threatens their homes. Who knows where the housebreaker will strike next?

ALBERT F. MURRAY.