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Mr. Sarkis Agasarkisian
Chairman
American Armenian Association of Georgia
250 Spring Street, NW, Suite 6W 119
Atlanta, GA 30303

Dear Chairman Agasarkisian:

I express my deepest sympathies as we remember the 1.5 million Armenian men, women and children who lost their lives during the Armenian genocide. This year's 102^{nd} anniversary of the genocide highlights an annual world-wide day of remembrance of the grave atrocities committed against the Armenian people between 1915 and 1923.

As you assemble to commemorate this tragic occurrence, I salute the Armenian community for all that you do to advance human rights and cultural understanding. Your promotion of a public dialogue regarding this genocide and its legacy will surely inspire positive race relations and build a strong foundation for unity within our community.

On behalf of the people of Atlanta, we affirm our belief in tolerance and justice on *Armenian Genocide Remembrance Day* and every day afterwards.

Sincerely,

Mayor Kasim Reed