



James B. Shepard, Founder

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The Honorable Shirley Franklin  
Mayor, City of Atlanta  
55 Trinity Avenue, SW  
Atlanta, GA 30303-0300

Dear Mayor Franklin:

North Carolina Central University (NCCU) applauds the City of Atlanta in the implementation of the **Next Step ... The Atlanta Promise Program**. Providing students with funds to obtain quality post secondary education is a need that other metropolitan areas should provide.

The contact individual for North Carolina Central University will be Mrs. Valerie Prince, Ombudsman, Division of Student Affairs. She can be reached at [vprince@nccu.edu](mailto:vprince@nccu.edu) or (919)530-7068.

The student from your program, Zipphrah Owens Locke, appears to be making a successful transition to University life. We look forward to others from your area choosing NCCU as their choice for matriculation.

Sincerely,

Roland H. Gaines  
Vice Chancellor

cc: Chancellor James H. Ammons  
Mrs. Carolyn Frisby

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