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May 9, 1968

The Editors
Christian Chronicle
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Dear Sirs:

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The front page picture in your April 26 issue carried of Los Angeles County Supervisor Kenneth Hahn and brother R. N. Hogan of the Figueroa Church of Christ does not tell the full story of the high impact that brother Kenneth Hahn's life has had on thousands of people during his more than 17 years of public service to Los Angeles County and to the state of California. Brethren across the country, through the pages of the Christian Chronicle, often see pictures and read stories of special awards and citations with which he has honored his brothers and sisters in Christ on numerous occasions. This fitting honor of brother Hogan is but one in a long line of such gracious and unselfish gestures by an unassuming Christian politician.

It has been my personal pleasure and profit to know Kenneth Hahn for a number of years, and to have talked with him at length on several occasions about the Christian life, the work of the church, and spiritual matters of various kinds. I will never forget the day he and I toured the Watts' area of Los Angeles; and viewing the damage of the 1965 riots, I heard Kenneth Hahn above the roar of the helicopter ask "What would Jesus say if He were looking at these ruins right now?" I turned and looked into the face of a deeply troubled Christian man; with tears streaming down his cheeks, who had a genuine concern for the citizens of his Second District of Los Angeles County.

The picture on the front page of your April 26 issue reminded me of a public servant who has often honored others with little, if any, honor being returned to him for his dedicated, spiritually sensitive, and truly Christian service to Los Angeles County, to the state of California and to our nation.

Fraternally yours,

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