

**HIROMASA IKEDA VISITS ATLANTA  
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SGI Vice President Hiromasa Ikeda visited Atlanta from April 7–9 on behalf of his parents, SGI President and Mrs. Ikeda, meeting with many dignitaries and taking part in the conferment of the first Gandhi, King, Ikeda Community Builders Prize on His Royal Highness Prince El Hassan bin Talal of Jordan.

During his meeting with Atlanta Mayor Bill Campbell on April 9, Vice President Ikeda expressed his appreciation for the mayor's support of the Gandhi, King, Ikeda exhibition opening on March 31. He pledged that the SGI would continue to "support the legacy of Atlanta as a great center of human rights and nonviolence."

The mayor expressed his desire that the exhibition "educate the public about nonviolence to further the teachings of Dr. Ikeda, Dr. King and Gandhi. Their message is so very important in these troubled times in the world."

Vice President Ikeda also visited the Georgia State Capitol April 9, where he met with Secretary of State Cathy Cox. Secretary Cox led a ceremony conferring honorary Georgia citizenship on President and Mrs. Ikeda. "We are so impressed with the work of Dr. Ikeda and his wife," she said. "We wish them much success as they open the new Soka University of America campus in California. We are proud to call them honorary Georgia citizens."

Morehouse College President Walter Massey, during a discussion with Vice President Ikeda, thanked the SGI for its support of the college's Gandhi Institute for Reconciliation and the conferment of the Gandhi, King, Ikeda Community Builders Prize. "We are gratified that Morehouse College can serve as a conduit for Dr. Ikeda's message through this prize and exhibition," he said. President Massey also expressed his appreciation for the gift of hundreds of books from President Ikeda to the college.

Vice President Ikeda then flew to Los Angeles to review the progress of construction at Soka University of America, Aliso Viejo before returning to Tokyo.