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- "A smaller rather than bigger government makes total sense for Cleveland. Our suburbs have good government because their size is manageable. Cleveland would benefit from pursuing Judge Griffin's suggestions." **Tom Boardman**, Former Editor, *The Cleveland Press*.
- "Judge Griffin knows the diversity of Cleveland's neighborhoods, rich and poor, as well as any elected official. His years of experience in local affairs require Clevelanders to give careful attention to the ideas he has expressed about municipal reorganization."
Rep. Mary Rose Oakar, U.S. House of Representatives.
- "Judge Griffin has hit the mark in describing the difficulties and frustrations of a Cleveland councilman. Decentralization of Cleveland city government is worth a hard look." **Councilman Terence E. Copeland**, Cleveland City Council Ward 13.
- "Neighborhoods are the life blood of Cleveland. I am unimpressed from my own experience that county-wide or regional government will help Cleveland's neighborhoods. This book suggests a more fruitful approach. It deserves to be widely read and discussed."
Harry Fagan, Director, Commission on Catholic Community Action.

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