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To the President of the United States

Sir,

Next to the pleasures which arise from the consciousness of doing good, or that which flows from the justly merited applause of mankind, next to the inestimable delight and self-gratification which you must feel from the retrospect of a life devoted to the service of our country, are the grateful acknowledgments of that country of services unparalleled in the pages of history, for the exercise of virtues unaccomplished in the annals of mankind.

Permit us therefore, sir, in common with our fellow citizens throughout the Union, to offer, perhaps the last opportunity on that hour of public duty testifying to you, the deep and grateful sense we entertain of that profound wisdom in counsel, and those eminent services in the field, which, added
by the bravery and virtue of Americans, to your Country victories through an arduous and bloody war, to liberty, and independence; — for your disinterested patriotism in the administration of the general government, — for your perseverance in the support of neutrality, — for your sagacity in preserving our own security and justice to all nations, — for your firmness in suppressing domestic insurrections, — for your firmness in defeating the schemes of foreign influence, — for your steady adherence to the principles of the Constitution, — and lastly, for the valuable legacy you have left us, in your late pathetic address to the people of the United States: — a legacy so noble with wisdom and sound judgment, as to merit not only a distinguished place in the archives of the nation, but also to be engraven in the hearts and minds of
very American, affectionately to be remembered
and gratefully to be transmitted by them to
their posterity, as their political creed
as the last gift of him, to whom
under God we are principally indebted
for our greatest political blessings.

 Permit us also to accompany
you with our best and most ardent wishes
in your contemplated retirement;—may
The choicest blessings of domestic ease and
happiness pervade the evening of your days.

—may you enjoy from the serene
and peaceful walk of private life, the
glorious prospect of a free and enlightened
country, progressing with rapid strides
to the consummation of every public
and private virtue—a country which
by your assistance already holds
a distinguished rank among the
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To the President of the United States

Sir

Next to the pleasure which arises from the consciousness of doing good, - is that which flows from the justly merited applause of mankind: - next to the inexhaustible delight and self-gratulation which you must feel from the retrospect of a life devoted to the service of your country, - are the grateful acknowledgements of that country for services unparalleled in the pages of history, for the exercise of virtue unexamples in the annals of mankind. -

Permit us therefore Sir, in concurrence with our fellow citizens throughout the union, to embrace, perhaps the last opportunity we shall have of publically testifying to you, the deep and grateful sense we entertain, - of that profound wisdom in council and those eminent exertions in the field which aided by the bravery and virtue of americans, led your Country victorious through our arduous and bloody war, to liberty and independance: - for your disinterested (?) patriotism in the administration of the general government, for your perseverance in the system of neutrality, - secured by firm and (?) measures ( ) over your dignity of doing justice to all nations, - for your promptness in suppressing domestic insurrections, - for your firmness in defeating the exertions of foreign influence. - for your steady adherence to the principles of the Constitution. - and lastly for the inestimable legacy you have left us, in your late fraternal address to the people of the United States: a legacy so replete with wisdom and sound policy as to merit not only a distinguished place in the archives of the respective states, but also to be
engraven on the hearts and minds of every American, affectionately to be remembered and gratefully to be transmitted by them to posterity, as their political creed: - as the last gift of him to whom under God we are principally indebted for our greatest political blessings. -

Permit us also sir, to accompany you with our best and most ardent wishes in your contemplated retirement; may the choicest blessings of domestic ease and bliss pervade the evening of your days: = may you enjoy from the serene and peaceful walks of private life, the glorious prospect of a free and enlightened country, progressing with rapid strides to the consummation of every public and private virtue - a country which by your assistance already holds a distinguished rank among the nations of the world.