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Sir,

The standing committee of the Pennsylvania state society of the Cincinnati embrace this early opportunity of waiting on your excellency with their congratulations on your unanimous appointment, by the people, to the office of first magistrate of this great empire, it being the strongest evidence of your unrivalled merit, and of their exalted wisdom. Permit us to express our peculiar joy and pride upon the occasion, that our beloved general, and the president general of our society, has received the free suffrages of each of our fellow citizens of these states.

We have now the most perfect assurance, that the inestimable rights and liberties of human nature, for which we have toiled, fought, and bled, under your command, will be preserved inviolate ; and we felicitate our countrymen, that their national safety and dignity are secure, and that they have the best grounded prospects of all that happiness, which a good constitution, under a wise and virtuous administration, can afford. As we have the fullest confidence that our society, whose basis is friendship and charity, will, equally with others, enjoy these blessings, and partake of your regard, so we beg leave to assure you, that we shall never be wanting in our power to your personal comfort and honour, and the prosperity and glory of your government.

Signed by order of the committee, Thomas M'Kean, V. P. *Philadelphia, April 20, 1789.*