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Nothing but the idea of the supreme satisfaction that will be felt in the breast of the Petitioner at the gratifi cation of her wish, in this (to her) unexpected way, could have induced me thus to intrude; nor even on that consideration

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Date: March 26, 1800

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your most obedient

& very humble servant

Phil. 26 March 1800

P Wadsworth

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yours etc PW

Mrs. Martha Washington

Mount Vernon – Virginia

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