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Dear Gentlemen

Please to allow me this privilege that I have taken upon myself to let it be known to you that I am an applicant to the Honorable Gov & council for wood corder for the city of Baltimore, being solicited by several respectable gentlemen of this city to do so, which I will hereafter make known to you satisfactory, and knowing that you both have known me a long while is what makes me take this liberty with you, and if you can find or believe me in your hearts to be worthy of the office without any impropriety I will ever thank you for your influence for me, and will remember you always in discharging my duties honestly, & I am so fortunate to get the appointment I am informed