Centre Hill Augt 31st 1829

Col. John Wilkinson

Dear Sir,

At the request of a number of your personal and political friends in this County, I have been induced to make inquiry of you, whether you will permit yourself to be nominated as a candidate for Congress from this Congressional district on Saturday next, by the meeting, which is to be held at Hillsborough for the purpose of selecting a suitable person to represent us — Col. Hu. Emory, Robt. H. Goldsborough, Col. Dickinson, Genl. Potter & Theodore Lockerman are also spoken of; but we are of opinion that your popularity in the district is greater than that of either of the Gentlemen named. We hope therefore if your engagements are such, as not to prevent you from being run as a candidate, that you will comply with our wishes, and suffer me at the meeting in Hillsborough on Saturday next to put your [redacted] in nomination as the most suitable person in our opinion to be taken up as a candidate for the office —

With sentiments of respect
Your Obt. Servt.
Hu. C. Browne

P.S. You will please inform us, as soon as possibly whether you can comply with the above request
Hu. C. B.

Col. John Wilkinson
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Hu. C. Browne