They will certainly March to their assistance & will as assuredly expect my presence — in our present Situation we want rather hearts than heads while your honors are at the Helm.

These last reasons have more weight with me than any other — Indeed it gives me pain to decline any appointment of the Convention, or so polite an Invitation from your Honors, which if it were not for the above cogent objections would be a mandate to

Your Honors

Most obedient Humble Serv.

Wm Rumsey

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