Philadelphia July 24. 1794.

Sir,

I do myself the honor of informing you, that the President contemplates with your approbation, to appoint you to one of the approaching vacancies, in the board of commissioners for the federal city. He is aware that your present service under the state of Maryland, will not suffer you immediately to accept the office. But an arrangement will take place, which may render it not inconvenient to wait, until your triennial term shall have expired.

The salary of a commissioner is now fixed at the rate of sixteen hundred dollars per annum.

The duties will require great activity; and, generally speaking, daily attendance. It is understood that you purpose to reside in George Town or on the hill just above it, and that such a degree of attendance and activity, as may be found necessary and proper, will be easy to you.

Let me intreat you, therefore, to inform me by the return of the mail, whether it may be agreeable to you to accept the appointment; and to be assured, Sir, of the respect and esteem, with which I am

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