Phila: June 23<sup>d</sup> 1843

Dear Sir

The undersigned, a Committee of Invitation appointed by a general meeting of the Democratic Citizens of the City of Philadelphia for celebrating the ensuing anniversary of American Independence beg leave to request the honor of your Company at a Public Dinner in the City on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July next.

Should it be inconvenient to attend we would be pleased to have from you a sentiment.

The Committee cannot, on this occasion refrain from expressing their sorrow, that on the approaching festival, the Cypress must be blended with the Laurel, and the brightness of our glorious Anniversary be clouded by the lamented death of the great and good Jackson, and while we are rejoicing with feelings of gratitude for the rich inheritance transmitted to us by our fathers, With hearts of sadness we have to deplore the loss to our Country of one of its most gallant heroes and devoted patriots.

Very respectfully your obed: sevts: John Horn D. H. Tucker M.D. J. A. Phillips Robert F. Christy Chas H. Kerk

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