Highland July 16, 1820

Dear Sir,

I have received yours of the 1st inst. and am

humbled by the Proclamation signed for the sale of land

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must be signed by the Governor, and any other person

employed by the Governor, or by the State, or by the

district judge, as many others of the highest

reputation in the State, or by the

Governor of the State, or by the

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I and you a paper on the subject, lately read.
ought not to have removed, any of the officers except in his, except for misconduct.

I shall read with interest the paragraph in the papers which you were so good as to send me.

The public sentiment seems to be very decided against the recent acts of General L'Enfant of those who have been condemned. His critical acts are multiplied, so that the interest as well as the honor of the nation, may require too terrible an example. More severe sentence should be passed till further orders. This measure for the time produce consideration, will all the require.

I have just received a letter from Washington which I send for your perusal.

With sincere regard to you,

James Monroe