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Wilmington, Delaware, June 22nd, 1915.

Miss Harriet C. Conegys,

Regent Mount Vernon Ladies' Association of the Union,
Dover, Delaware.

Dear Miss Conegys:-

It seems to me that the opportunity is offered to do the long delayed and merited honor to the memory of Miss Ann Pamela Cunningham, to whose patriotic inspiration the country owes the preservation of Mount Vernon, as its most valued National Monument. It was not an evanescent emotion that produced this great result. It required the genius and untiring effort of a more than ordinary capable woman to make a successful appeal to the indifferent and apathetic spirit of the time in which she lived. The organization of your Society was a woman's work, and by it Miss Cunningham has become the inspiring protagonist of the beneficent activities of women ever since.

I understand that the Electors constituted for that purpose are now about to select the name of some person worthy of a niche in the Hall of Fame. What better selection could be made at this time than that of a woman whose work has been so conspicuous and enduring?

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) George Gray.