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Mr Elias Carr

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Dear Sir -

In answer to your official communication of the 20th. ulto. which did not reach me until the 1<sup>st</sup> inst, I have to say, that I recognize the old democratic doctrine of the rights of the people to instruct their representatives to the fullest extent & which it has ever been ~~done~~ carried in North Carolina. I hold that the will of the people, clearly and unequivocally expressed, must be obeyed unless compliance would involve the representative in a moral wrong, in which case it would be his duty to resign and give place to a representative who would obey. Good faith in the observance of instructions and public pledges is absolutely essential to a government based upon the popular will.

Very Respectfully yours

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