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FROM ROBERT CARTER NICHOLAS, ESQ.

WILLIAMSBURG 6th. Feby. 1758

DEAR SIR,

I have heard of Letters from the dead, but never had the Pleasure of receiving one, till your agreeable Favour came to Hand the other Day. It was reported here that Colo. Washington was dead: as you are still alive, I must own myself obliged to the Author of that Report, as well because my Pleasure was greatly increased upon hearing it contradicted, as because I enjoy the additional Satisfaction of Reflecting upon the Concern, which your Friends shew'd on the Occasion; & this you'll allow near the most proper Time to judge of their Sincerity. I wish the agreeable News you kindly imparted may prove true, but I'm apt to think that the two Reports were blended together by some bungling Retailer of News. We have Nothing here worth communicating. I am with the greatest Sincerity

Yr. affte. hble Sert. RO. C NICHOLAS —