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Dear Sir

If ever a People were called upon for
vigorous exertions by the pressing situation of their
affairs & intreated to make their last struggle against
an implacable Enemy The Americans at this moment
are in that Situation: we are now upon our last
Campaign; if vigorous exertions render it successful
we shall sit down, quietly in the enjoyment of
that Independence for which we have so long con-
tended but if languid efforts render our attempts
unsuccessful we are ruined past relief.

The Emperors of Germany & Empress
of Russia have offered their mediation to the Belige-
rent powers; The acceptance is inevitable. France and
Spain have given answers which will work a delay
but can by no means preclude a Compliance with
their demand. To have a peace dictated to us when
our Army is in the most feeble Situation, in the
greatest want of provisions through the want of
exertions in the States: when the Army are prostrated
ed of ~~two~~ two States and are carrying their Con-
quests into others; when prescribing the ~~its~~ propri-
eties as a Basis of Accommodation would forever
ruin

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Ruin the United States would be a misfortune
far beyond what the calamities of war could
possibly produce. To avert the danger and to
obtain a Peace upon honorable Terms every
exertion must be used to push with vigor
This Campaign (which will probably be our
Last) The King of France to enable us to act
with vigor has made us a Donation of Six
million of Livres this will put our Finances
on a respectable footing the exertions of Mr
Robert Morris our financier with the plans
pursuing by Congress will render them still more
so. Arms Ammunition and Cloathing are provided
by the French monarch which will soon be here
the King of Spain is also supplying with
Cloathing & will furnish with some money
a reinforcement from France which though not
so respectable as we could wish will ^{we} flatter
ourselves with our own exertions render us superi-
our both by Land & Sea - & enable us to regain
what we have lost prior to the ratification of
a peace & enable us to treat with advantage.
The scrupulous adherence of the
Treaty

French Monarch to his obligations The favorable
Disposition of the Court of Spain toward the
United States & The Political Interest of the
European powers in rendering us Independent
will all operate to procure us That Freedom &
Safety for which we have spent so much
blood and Treasure.

we cannot under the present situa-
tion of affairs avoid entreating you & through
you the assembly of New Hampshire to use
every possible season to take advantage
of the present state of facts profit by the
which we have received & thereby avoid the
consequences which Lingering efforts must certain-
ly produce We have the Honor to be very

Respectfully Dear Sir Your
most obedient servants.

Jno Sullivan

Samuel Sumner

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The Honorable

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Dear Sir

Letter from Gen. Geo. Sullivan
can. and Hon. Saml. Liver-
more. May 27, 1781.

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