

**TO THE HONORABLE--THE SPEAKER & MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE U. S.:**

The undersigned citizens and voters of Monongalia county, in the proposed State of West Virginia, respectfully and earnestly petition your honorable body to concur in the bill passed by the Senate of the United States admitting the said State into the Union, with the conditions and provisions therein contained, at the *earliest possible moment* of your session in December, 1862, and thereby do justice to a truly loyal and suffering people.

John B. Lough  
Matthew Lough  
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Allen T. Loring  
John L. Floyd  
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John M. Cordray  
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Abel Newbough  
Silas Hawkins  
Curtis Arnett  
Golden Michel  
Wm K Jones  
Thomas R. Wilson  
David Riggs  
Eugene Snider  
William E. Linch  
Samuel Gardner  
Eugene Southman  
Henry Gayles  
J. R. Richards  
J. J. Richards  
J. W. Burns  
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William Burnett  
Henry Guthrie  
H. M. Hawkins  
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