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Dear Brian

I have asked people in Washington, D.C. many times on my numerous trips to this city why the Virginia portion (area outlined in red in accompanying map) of the original square layed out by Pierre L'Enfant was removed from the district in 1846 and why it was not returned after the Civil War, but I have never received a satisfactory answer. Could you please explain to me why this occurred? Please use the enclosed addressed and stamped envelope. Thank you so very much.

Sincerely,



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