

Feb 29 1830

Ever Dear Husband

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Isaac Finck  
your constant Martha Finck

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Washington DC

*Letter from Martha Finch to her husband Isaac while he's serving as a Representative in Congress Washington DC addressed simply on folded letter Hon Isaac Finch Washington DC dated Feb 25<sup>th</sup> 1830*

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