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Dear Mrs. Scott,

I'm very sorry of Dred's death. But let me tell you he was a very ambitious man, and tomorrow all of his life work and dreams will come true. Tomorrow I will declare the **EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION**, which means The Freedom Announcement or Law it states that it is illegal to have slaves in the United States of America meaning that you are now a **FREE CITIZEN**. With that you have all of the rights of a Caucasian person.

Your husband was a very brave, courageous, and intelligent man. You should be proud to have someone so good, so good that he was able to step ahead and lead your race and his along the right path. You should also be proud of your self, because you where always there beside him, encouraging, advising and clearing his vision but most of all loving him. Loving someone is the best good deed you can and you did that the best; so be proud of all.

From

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Abe Lincoln". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned at the bottom of the page, below the word "From". There is a faint blue ink scribble or watermark behind the signature.