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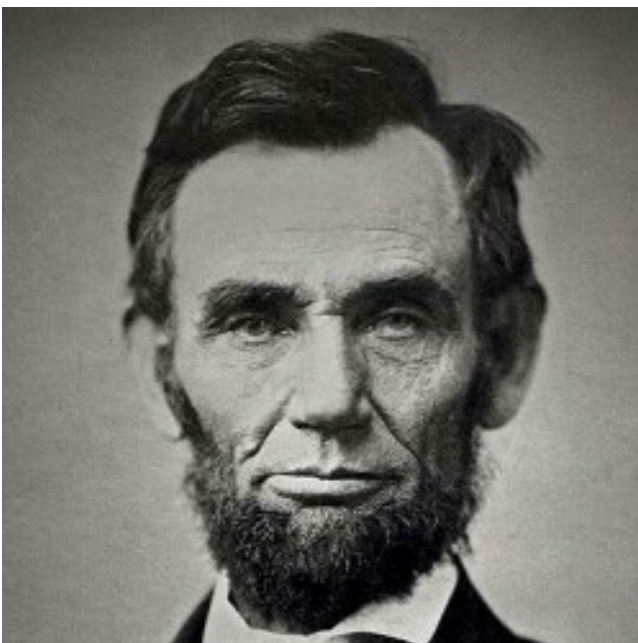👎 **DON'T…** settle for the first, second and third Google result on the list.

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