Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

To the Honorable the Senate and the House of Representatives in General Court Assembled, May, 1809, Respectfully shews:

The undersigned Inhabitants of the Northerly or second Parish in Kittery, in the County of York, would be gleave to inform your honors, that at a Parish meeting held in said Northerly Parish on the 27th day of April last, it was voted to petition your honors to have said Parish set off from said town and incorporated with all the privileges of a town.

The undersigned would humbly remonstrate against the prayer of said Petition being granted, and state to your honors that the Town of Kittery is not a large town; that it does not contain more than about Four hundred and 50 voters: that the situation is such as to render the transaction of the town affairs easy, and transacted with very little expense.

That for many years last past, all the business of the town has been transacted in a manner to meet almost the unanimous approbation of the Inhabitants; that an unusual degree of unanimity has always prevailed in said town.

That a division of the town would not only increase the expenses, but have a tendency to create animosity and great difficult, and be productive of no good.

The causes assigned in said petition are groundless.

It is true the town is in debt. But it is equally true that there is now due to the Treasurer of said town from the several Collectors in the Northerly Parish, the sum of Nine hundred and eighty-eight dollars more than is due from the several Collectors in the other part of the town.

The undersigned will forbear to mention the opinion of the Inhabitants of the other part of the town; they only wish as Individuals of said Northerly Parish, humbly to remonstrate against the prayer of said petition being granted:—

As it was a thing of great haste, and the Inhabitants were not made fully acquainted with the reason of said vote for petitioning;

That the vote was not the results of due reflection; and should the prayer of said petition be granted a great burden then would be thrown not only upon the undersigned but upon all the Inhabitants of said Parish; create great animosity and difficulty; and a tendency to destroy that great harmony which has for so many years subsisted in said town. The undersigned therefore pray that your honors would not in any manner grant the prayer of said petition, and as in duty bound will ever pray.—

Kittery, May, 1809.

Jno. Frost Eliot Frost Daniel Emery

Jonathan Hammond

Samuel Hammond

Moses Hammond

Jonathan Hammond, 3rd

David Libbey

Nath'l Hanscom

Joseph Frost, sen'r

John Cutts

John Rogers

Ezra Libbey

Wtlliam Tetherly

Samuel Emery, Jr.

Nathan Emery

Daniel Goodwin

Samuel Emery

James Neall

Nahum Emery

John Raitt

Zebadiah Simpson

Nathan Ferguson

Alexander Frost, Jr.

Simeon Emery

Alexander Goold

Uriah Hanscom

John Neall

Stephen Shorey

Jacob Shorey

Daniel Goodwin, Jr.

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Morris Goodwin

Moses Goodwin

Samuel Leighton

Elisha Goodwin

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Daniel Odiorne, Jr, James Feaild, Nath'l Frost, Charles Frost, John Stacy, Joseph Johnson,

John Shapleigh, Meeds Furbush, Jerediah Witham