

speedy and effectual means to obtain a repeal of the said act or acts, and preserve North America and her liberties.

IV. *Resolved*, Notwithstanding the people of this province will have many inconveniences and difficulties to encounter, by breaking off their commercial intercourse with the mother country, and are deeply affected at the distress which will be thereby necessarily brought on many of their fellow-subjects in Great Britain, yet their affection and regard to an injured and oppressed sister colony, their duty to themselves, their posterity, and their country, demand the sacrifice—and therefore that this province will join in an association with the other principal and neighbouring colonies, to stop all exportations to, and importations from, Great Britain, until the said acts and bills, if passed into acts be repealed: the non-importation and non-exportation to take place on such future day as may be agreed on by a general congress of deputies from the colonies—the non-export of tobacco to depend and take place only on a similar agreement by Virginia and North Carolina, and to commence at such time as may be agreed on by the deputies for this province and the said colonies of Virginia and North Carolina.

V. *Resolved*, That the deputies from this province are authorised to agree to any restrictions upon exports to the West Indies, which may be deemed necessary by a majority of the colonies at the general congress.

VI. *Resolved*, That the deputies from this province are authorised, in case the majority of the colonies should think the importation of particular articles from Great Britain to be *indispensably* necessary for their respective colonies, to admit and provide for this province such articles as our circumstances shall necessarily require.

VII. *Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this committee, that the merchants and others, venders of goods and merchandizes within this province, ought not to take advantage of the above resolve for non-importation, but that they ought to sell their goods and merchandize that they now have, or may hereafter import, at the same rates they have been accustomed to do within one year last past; and that if any person shall sell any goods which he now has, or hereafter may have, or may import, on any other terms than above expressed, no inhabitant of this province ought, at any time thereafter, to deal with any such person, his agent, manager, factor, or storekeeper, for any commodity whatever.

VIII. *Resolved unanimously*, That a subscription be opened in the several counties of this province, for an immediate collection for the relief of the distressed inhabitants of Boston, now cruelly