

*Acts of Assembly passed in May, 1751.*

Streets, Lanes, and Alleys, as to them shall seem meet; and the same Lots so laid out shall number with Numbers, One, Two, and Three, and so to Eighty, for distinguishing each Lot from the other; and shall cause the Streets, Lanes, and Alleys to be named and distinguished by certain Names, and by good sufficient Cedar or Locust Posts, to be set up as a Boundary to each of them.

The Commissioners to fix the Price of each Lot.

*And be it further Enacted by the Authority, Advice, and Consent aforesaid,* That the Commissioners, or the major Part of them, shall and are hereby required to assess, set, and ascertain the Price to be paid for each of the Lots aforesaid, according to the Value, Conveniency and Situation thereof; so always that the Prices of all the said Lots added together may amount to the Sum by them agreed for or awarded by the Jury for the aforesaid sixty Acres of Land, and no more: And the aforesaid sixty Acres of Land being so surveyed, laid out, and divided, shall be, and is hereby erected into a Town, and shall be called by the Name of *George-Town*.

Owners of the Land to have the Choice of two Lots.

*And be it further Enacted,* That the Owner or Owners of the aforesaid Land shall and may have his, her, or their Choice of any two of the Lots aforesaid, to be by him, her, or them retained for his, her, or their proper Use; *Provided* such Choice shall be made and declared to the Commissioners aforesaid, or the major Part of them, within ten Days after the Survey aforesaid shall be made and compleated, and not otherwise; and that after such Choice is made, or in case no such Choice shall be made within the ten Days aforesaid, then after the Expiration of the same ten Days, all Persons whatsoever shall be at Liberty to take up and purchase the same Lots, paying the Owner or Owners aforesaid, or others therein interested, the Price or Value thereof so as aforesaid set and assessed by the Commissioners aforesaid; and that every Person who shall pay as aforesaid the Price of the Lot by him or her so taken up or chosen, or shall prove to the Satisfaction of the said Commissioners, or the major Part of them, that he or she had tendered or offered to pay the said Price to the Owner or Owners aforesaid, and that such Owner had refused to accept or receive the same, and an Entry of such Payment or Tender and Refusal being made according to the Directions hereafter mentioned, such Person shall, and is hereby declared to be, by Virtue of such Payment or Tender and Refusal, and Entry thereof made as aforesaid, and this Act, fully and absolutely invested and seized of and in an Estate of Inheritance in Fee Simple of and in such Lot, to him or her, and his or her Heirs and Assigns for ever, without any Deed, Conveyance, or other Transfer from such Owner or Owners for the same; any Statute, Law, Usage, or Custom, to the contrary notwithstanding.

Purchasers of Lots obliged to build within two Years.

*Provided always,* That it shall not be lawful for any Person to take up, enjoy, have, or possess more than one of the same Lots, within twelve Months after the same are divided and laid out as aforesaid. *Provided also,* That all and every the Person and Persons aforesaid so taking up the Lots aforesaid, or any of them, shall, and are hereby obliged and required, within two Years after they shall take up their respective Lots as aforesaid, and Entry thereof made as aforesaid, to erect, build, and finish thereon one good and substantial House, that shall cover four hundred square Feet of Ground at the least, and that it be made in every Respect tenantable, with one good Brick or Stone Chimney thereto; and that all and every of such Taker or Takers-up; who shall neglect to build as aforesaid on their respective Lots aforesaid, within the Time herein for that Purpose limited and appointed, shall lose such, and the Estate of such Taker-up so neglecting as aforesaid shall from henceforth cease and determine, and such Lot or Lots so