

U. H. J. incorporated And taking into Consideration the great disadvantage the want of Learning & Education is to the Youth of this Province, And that the same may be remedied by settling Free Schools in every County thereof We are heartily concerned that we are obliged to represent to this honourable Assembly that our Funds will only Enable us to maintain one School in this Town And that they are very insufficient to answer the pious design that we are Engaged in, And therefore we make humble Application, that this laudable Work may be taken into Consideration, and Such means used, as the Honble Assembly shall think proper to Enlarge the Funds for the promotion of Education and Learning

And whereas we meet with great Difficultys from the great Distance that the Several Members of our corporation Live from one another, and that It is almost impracticable for us to meet & Consult so often as the Nature of our Affairs would require We humbly Submitt it to the Judgment of the honble Assembly whither It may not be necessary by a new Law to Enable any five or more of us to transact our Affairs without lying under the necessity of having a Majority of the members present

Further we represent to the honble Assembly that we find in one of the Journalls of the House of Delegates 6th July 1697 recited that M^r Anthony Workman came before the House & gave one hundred & fifty pounds sterling to the Building of an House upon a Lott which his Excellency had already given together with ten pounds toward Building the s^d House Which
 p. 60 was to be Enjoyed by the said Anthony Workman during his natural Life, & remain over to the use of Free schools. Also the said M^r Workman promised to leave all the Improvements upon the s^d Lott in good and safe Repair

And in the Journal of the House of Delegates held in May 1696 folio 38 & 39 the said Workman Enters the House and says there is fifty pounds in his hands for finishing the House And prays He may keep Ordinary therein Licence free Which was granted

Likewise in an Act of Assembly for keeping good Rules and Orders in the Port of Annapolis made in July 1696 It is thus Contained

And be It further Enacted by the Authority a^d that all those Deeds Obligations Writings & Evidences made by & between his Excellency Francis Nicholson Esq^r Capt General & Governour of this Province of the one part & Anthony Workman of Kent Island in the County of Talbot of the other and W^m Freeman Bricklayer of Philadelphia in Pensilvania of the other part concerning a Lott of Land in the said Town & Building