

same might not be sufficient to carry on so religious a Design, it was therefore Prayed that it might be Enacted,

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And be it Enacted by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordship's Governor, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That from and after the End of this present Session of Assembly, it shall and may be lawful for Mr. *William Hamilton*, Mr. *Christopher Gist*, Mr. *Samuel Owings*, Mr. *Christopher Randall*, and Mr. *Nicholas Hayles*, of the Parish aforesaid, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby directed, impowered and appointed to collect and receive from all or any of the Parishioners of the said Parish, all, and every Sum and Sums of Money, Tobacco, and other Goods and Effects which all or any of the Parishioners shall freely and voluntarily give and bestow, and the same to appropriate and apply for and towards the Uses and Purposes in this Act mentioned, and for or towards no other Use, Intent and Purpose whatsoever.

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And be it further Enacted by the Authority, Advice and Consent aforesaid, That the aforesaid Mr. *William Hamilton*, Mr. *Christopher Gist*, Mr. *Samuel Owings*, Mr. *Christopher Randall*, and Mr. *Nicholas Hayles*, or the major Part of them, may, and are hereby impowered to Purchase of any Person or Persons, who shall be willing to dispose of the same, a piece of Land not exceeding Two Acres, in such Place as they shall think convenient, and thereon shall and may Erect and Build, or cause to be Erected and Built, a Chappel of Ease for the Forest Inhabitants, and such others as shall chuse to resort thither, the Cost, Charge and Expence of which Purchase and Building as aforesaid, shall, and are hereby directed to be paid for, borne, and defrayed, by and out of the Money, Tobacco, and other Goods and Effects aforesaid, raised or to be raised by the voluntary Contributions of the Parishioners as aforesaid, or so far forth as the same shall extend unto. And in case the voluntary Contributions aforesaid, should not amount to a sufficient Sum for Defraying the Charges aforesaid, that then, and in such case, it shall and may be lawful to and for the Justices of *Baltimore* County Court for the Time being, at the instance and request of the Vestry of the said Parish, or the major Part of them, for the Time being, to the said Court signified in Writing, in the *November* Court to be held for that Year wherein the Request aforesaid, in manner aforesaid, shall be made, to Assess on the Taxable Inhabitants of the said Parish, any Sum of Money not exceeding the Sum of One Hundred Thirty Three Pounds Six Shillings and Eight Pence Current Money, in any one Assessment, nor for more than Three Assessments, and shall direct, and the Sheriff of the County aforesaid is hereby impowered and required to Levy, Collect and Receive, in such manner, and for such Salary, as other Parish Charges are Levied, Collected and Received, all and every such Assessment or Assessments so as aforesaid on the Parishioners aforesaid imposed, and the same so Levied, Collected

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