

Statute Act Ordinance or provision to the Contrary thereof Notwithstanding

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And further our pleasure is and by these presents for us our heirs and Successors We do Covenant and Grant to and with the said now Lord Baltimore his heirs and Assigns that we our heirs and Successors shall at no time hereafter Set or make or cause to be Set any Imposition Custom or other Taxation Rate or Contribution whatsoever in or upon the Dwellers and Inhabitants of the aforesaid Province for their Lands Tenements Goods or Chattels within the said Province or in or upon any Goods or Merchandizes within the said Province to be laden or unladen within any the Ports or Harbours of the said Province And our Pleasure is and for us our heirs and Successors We Charge and Command that this our Declaration shall be hence forward from time to time received and allowed in all our Courts and before all the Judges of us our heirs and Successors for a Sufficient and lawfull Discharge Payment and Acquittance Commanding all and Singular our Officers and Ministers of us our heirs and Successors and enjoying them upon pain of our high Displeasure that they do not presume at any time to Attempt any thing to the Contrary of the Premisses or that they do in any Sort withstand the same but that they be at all times Aiding and Assisting as is fitting unto the said now Lord Baltimore and his heirs and to the Inhabitants and Merchants of Maryland aforesaid their Servants Ministers factors and Assigns in the full use and Fruition of the Benefit of this our Charter p. 254

4:<sup>th</sup> Resolved that it is the Unanimous Opinion of this House that the said Charter is Declaratory of the Constitutional Rights and Privileges of the Freemen of this Province

5:<sup>th</sup> Resolved Unanimously That Tryals by Juries is the Grand Bulwark of Liberty the undoubted Birthright of every Englishman and Consequently of every British Subject in America and that the Erecting other Jurisdictions for the Tryal of Matters of fact is unconstitutional and renders the Subject insecure in his Liberty and Property

6:<sup>th</sup> Resolved That it is the Unanimous Opinion of this House that it cannot with any truth or Propriety be said that the Freemen of this Province of Maryland are Represented in the British Parliament

7:<sup>th</sup> Resolved Unanimously that his Majestys liege People of this Ancient Province have always enjoyed the Right of being Governed by Laws to which they themselves have consented in the Articles of Taxes and internal Polity and that the same hath never been forfeited or any other way Yielded up but hath been Constantly recognized by the King and People of Great Britain

8:<sup>th</sup> Resolved that it is the Unanimous Opinion of this House that the Representatives of the Freemen of this Province in their Legis-