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*Resolved*, That this convention will on to-morrow resolve itself into a committee of the whole, to consider further of the same.

Convention adjourns to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

#### SATURDAY, October 19, 1776.

Convention met. All members present as on yesterday, except Mr. Parnham. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, *Resolved*, That every member who asks for leave of absence shall give his reasons for asking such leave, and that they be entered on the journal.

Mr. T. Wright has leave of absence till Wednesday next, on account of particular private business. Mr. Fischer has leave of absence for a few days. Mr. Hughs has leave of absence, his private affairs requiring his attendance at home.

Agreeable to the order of the day the convention resolved itself into a committee of the whole, to consider further of the declaration of rights, and form of government for this state; Mr. Worthington in the chair. After some time spent therein Mr. President resumed the chair, and Mr. Worthington reported, that the committee had, according to order, taken into their consideration the declaration of rights, and form of government for this state, and had come to several resolutions thereon, but not having had time to come to a conclusion, had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

*Resolved*, That this convention will on to-morrow resolve itself into a committee of the whole, to consider further of the same.

Mr. S. Wright has leave of absence on account of his bad state of health. Mr. Mason has leave of absence on account of the sickness of his family.

Convention adjourns till Monday morning, 9 o'clock.

#### MONDAY, October 21, 1776.

Convention met. All members present as on Saturday, except Mr. Fischer, Mr. T. Wright, Mr. S. Wright, Mr. Mason, Mr. Dickinson, Mr. Hughs, and Mr. Sprigg. The proceedings of Saturday were read. Mr. Dent has leave of absence.

Agreeable to the order of the day the convention resolved itself into a committee of the whole, to consider further of the declaration of rights, and form of government for this state; Mr. Worthington in the chair. After some time spent therein Mr. President