mentioned and the negro man within named to be henceforth manumitted and discharged from all services to her or to any claiming under and to be free and manumitted according to the act of assembly in such case made and provided

Acknowledged before Nathan Shipley

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Recorded the 26th day of March 1832

To all whom it may concern, be it known that I William Childs of Ann Arundel County, State of Maryland, for divers good causes and considerations me thereunto moving, as also in further consideration of five dollars current money to me in hand paid, have released from slavery, liberated manumitted and set free, and by these presents do hereby release from slavery, liberate, manumit and set free from and after the several dates herein affixed to the negroes hereinafter mentioned or named, viz. my negro woman Nelly Smothers aged about twenty years, to be free from and after the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and thirty six, and her infant child Margaret aged one year, to be free from and after the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and fifty six, together with all their increase, the males at twenty five years, and the females at the age of twenty one years, and she the said Nelly Smothers able to work and gain a sufficient livelihood and maintanance, and they the said negroes named Nelly and Margaret I do declare to be thenceforth free manumitted and discharged from all manner of servitude of service to me, my executors and administrators from and after the different dates aforesaid affixed.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this fifteenth day of April in