

I *Sereniack Council*
myself into Captain *Read*
of Foot, belonging to Colonel THOMAS PRICE's Regiment, in the Service
of the United States of America, to continue during the War, and to be
subject to such Rules and Articles as are or shall be established by Congress.
Witness my Hand this *4th* Day of *July* A. D. 1777

RECEIVED the *4th* Day of *July* 1777 of Captain
Read the Sum of Twenty Dollars,
being the Bounty ordered by Congress to be paid to the non-commissioned
Officers and Privates who enlist to serve during the War.
Present at signing,

I do swear (or affirm) to be
true to the United States of America, and to serve them honestly and
faithfully against all their Enemies or Opposers whatsoever, and to observe and
obey the Orders of the Continental Congress, and the Orders of the Generals
and Officers set over me by them.

before me the *5th* day of *February* 1777

John Read
John Read

Sereniack Council
John Read