

Whereas application has been made by the honourable William H. Crawford Secretary of War by order of the President of the United States for a cession to the United States of the jurisdiction of the grounds hereinafter to be described. And whereas the General Assembly of Maryland at the last Session passed the following Resolution upon the subject

By the House of Delegates January 30th 1816

Resolved that the Governor and Council be and they are hereby authorized and requested, on the receipt of the Legislature, to arrange with the General Government for the establishment of such sites within this State for the completion and establishment of Fortifications as may be agreed on, and the jurisdiction of the same is hereby relinquished to the United States.

Now be it known that in pursuance of the power vested by said Resolve in the Governor and Council jurisdiction is hereby ceded to the United States of the following ground and territory to wit all that parcel of ground situate in Prince Georges County which on the fifteenth day of April eighteen hundred and eight was conveyed by a certain Thomas A. Diggs to Thomas Jefferson and which land is described to lie within the following lines to wit. Beginning at a large white Oak standing near the Bank of the river Potomack and running thence North thirty seven degrees fifteen minutes east fourteen Perches to a stake, thence south forty four degrees forty five minutes east thirty six Perches and fifty two hundredths of a Perch to the north side of a locust tree, and thence continuing in the same line three Perches and twelve hundredths of a Perch to a stake at the end of the second line, then with a line running south fifty three degrees thirty minutes west eighteen Perches and eighty eight hundredths of a Perch to a stake, thence with a line North thirty six degrees forty five minutes west two Perches and ninety two hundredths of a Perch to