

3 May 1764.

Fredrick Absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Provinces of  
Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore and so forth to all Persons  
to whom these Presents shall come greeting Whereas Comaro Theodore  
Wederstrandt a Native of France having transported himself into this Pro-  
vince here to Inhabit and as free Denizen Freedom and Land to him and  
his heirs to purchase Know ye that we willing to give due Encouragement  
to the Subjects of that Nation do hereby declare him the said Comaro The-  
odore Wederstrandt to be a free Denizen of this our Province of Maryland  
And do further for us our heirs and Successors strictly enjoin constitute  
Ordain and Command that <sup>he</sup> the said Comaro Theodore Wederstrandt  
be in all things held treated reputed and esteemed as one of the faithfull  
People of us our heirs and Successors born within this our Province of Ma-  
ryland. And likewise any Land Tenements Revenues Services and other  
Hereditaments whatsoever within our said Province of Maryland may  
inherit or otherwise Purchase Receive take have hold by or possess and  
then may occupy and enjoy give sell <sup>alien</sup> and bequeath as likewise all Liber-  
ties and Franchises of this our Province of Maryland freely quietly and  
Peaceably have and Possess occupy and enjoy as any of our faithfull  
People born or to be born within our said Province of Maryland without  
the Lett Molestation Taxation trouble or Grievance of us our heirs or Suc-  
cessors any Custom to the contrary hereof in any wise notwithstanding  
Given at Annapolis under the great Seal of our said Province of Mary-  
land this third day of May in the fourteenth Year of our Dominion  
over the said Province. Annoque Domini One thousand Seven hundred  
and Sixty four Witnesses our trusty and well beloved Horatio Sharpe Esq.  
Governor of our said Province of Maryland.