

In Council August 14th 1789

Gentlemen,

Two Indians, said to be Representatives from the Nation of Shuokees with an Agent, came here the Day before Yesterday, and the Agent has represented to us the distressed situation they are in for want of Money to take them on, we have therefore ventured to advance to the Agent forty 74. Dollars on his engagement, which is enclosed, to account for the same in New York - not being acquainted with the Arrangements made by Congress we are at a loss where to send the promissory Note, so that the State may have credit for the advance - we have for that reason addressed ourselves to you. We are Sir

J. Howard.

The Honble

Representatives

from Maryland

New York.

I hereby acknowledge to have received from the Governor & Council of the State of Maryland Forty dollars for the use of the Representatives of the District of Oconastato on their way to ^{the} Congress of the United States and which I promise to pay to, or to account for, with the proper Office at New York, as witness my hand this thirteenth Day of August 1789.

Witness James Buce

Signed Benet-Baker
Agent