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of Dutch Swedish German French or other Foreign descent in the same in as ample manner and upon the same termes and provisions as he was thereby impow-ered to grant land to any person or persons of British or Irish descent and during their abode within this province your petitioners have been allways faithfull and obedient to Your Lordships laws yet for that your petitioners are not of British or Irish descent they cannot take benefit of the laws and customes of this province as other the good people of this province of British or Irish descent may to their great loss prejudice and hindrance as also to the deterring of divers others of the foreign nations aforesaid from coming into this province and by consequence for slowing the people of this province with usefull artificers and handy Craftsmen may it therefore please Your Lordship of your abundant goodnesse and wanted care of and over this province That it may be ordained and enacted by Your Lordship And be it ordained and enacted by the Right Hon<sup>ble</sup> the Lord and Proprietary of this province by and with the advice and consent of the upper and lower houses of this present Generall Assembly and the authority of the same That Your Lordships humble Petitioners Alexander Dhyriosa and Margrita his wife Alexander Johannes Peter Maria Joanna Christina and Barbara sons and daughters of the said Alexander and Margareta Matther farwright Tho<sup>s</sup> Turner Matthias Peterson and Peter his son Jacob Clause de young Hans Jacob de Hinge puttegetson Garretts John Lederer John Alexon Peter Mills Mark Ladea Nicholas fountaine Anthony de Mouderer & Andrew Toulson and every of them shall from hence forth be adjudged reputed and taken as naturall borne people within this province of Maryland and also that they and every of them shall and may from henceforth by the same authority be enabled be adjudged to all intents and purposes able to demand challenge as have hold and enjoy <sup>any</sup> lands Tenements Hereditaments and rents within this Province