

to beholden at the day of to which time you shall adjourn your said Court and during the Court sitting the said Freeman is required to appear on the major part of such of them as shall then appear shall and may and are hereby authorized and required to elect and choose four severall and sufficient freemen of your County each of them having a freehold of fifty acres of Land or who shall be a resident and have a visible Estate of forty pounds Sterling at the least within your County whether the parties so elected be present or absent, the said Election to be made in such manner and forme as is Laws of England and this province doe direct and provide and you are to send the names of the said persons elected in certain indentures to be then made between you the said Sheriff and the electors (that is to say) two indentures for each Delegate each indenture having thereto your hand and seal and the hands and seals of the severall electors by them subscribed that the said Depts and delegates for themselves and the County aforesaid may have severally full and sufficient power to do and consent to those things which then and there by the favour of God shall happen to be demanded by the Advice and Consent of the Great Council of this Province concerning such Occasion and affairs as shall relate to the Government State and defence thereof BUT we will not in any wise that you or any other Sheriff in our said Province be elected and that upon such Election you the said Sheriff so soon as conveniently may be give notice to the parties elected if absent and certify and transmit to the Chancellor of this province for the time being one of the two severall and respective indentures affixed to those presents close sealed up and Directed to the Chancellor of this province for the time being and the other part of the said indentures you are to keep for your justification WITNESSE

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid and with the advice and Consent aforesaid that the aforesaid four delegates to be elected in the respective Counties within this province be and are hereby bound and obliged to attend at the time and place of the meeting of such assembly without any further writ or summons to be to them sent under the penalty of such fines as shall be by the house of Delegates imposed upon them unless upon sufficient excuse to be admitted by the house of delegates their absence be dispensed with any Law usage or Custom to the contrary notwithstanding. Provided also that no ordinary keeper within this province during the time of his ordinary keeping or any other person disabled by any Laws of England from sitting in Parliament shall be elected chosen or serve as a Deputy or Representative