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And Whereas at a session of a souldy held at the City of Annapolis On the eight Day of June Anno Domini 1720 Robert Johnson his heirs and assigns should be vested in a good and valuable estate of Inheritance in the whole of and into the quantity of One hundred and twenty foot of land at the upper end of the said lot with the whole breadth thereof under the following proviso that if the said Robert Johnson his heirs or assigns should apply the said parcel of the lot of ground aforesaid to any other use than that of being carpenters yard except necessary buildings for that service and also fail to pay the Corporation of the City of Annapolis five shillings Current Money Annually for the ground that thereof within two months after reasonable request made and shall also neglect to carry on the business of a shipwright for the space of Twelve months together; And pay the Proprietary the proportionable part of the Assessment thereon that then it shall & may be lawful to and for the said Corporation into the said parcel of lot of ground to redutor, And the same to be set in a full and ample manner to all intents & purposes as if the said Act had not past

And Whereas the said Robert Gordon having petitioned this present General Assembly setting forth that the said Robert Johnson had the aforesaid quantity of ground mentioned in the aforesaid Act laid out for him, and had built two small houses thereon that the said Robert Johnson hath been dead for upwards of fifteen months past and that the Representatives of the said Robert Johnson, since his death had sold one of the said houses from off the freehold; that the Conditions of the said Act of assembly had not been complied with

Whereas likewise it appears to this present General Assembly that the said Robert Gordon hath made the said Johnson's Widow Compensation for what belongs the said Johnson was at in the improvements made by him on the said ground and that she hath relinquished her right in favour of the said Robert Gordon and that the Conditions aforesaid were not complied with

As also for that the said Robert Gordon is possess of a Tenement of Land contiguous and bounding with the said parcel of Land laid out for the said Robert Johnson deceased and therefore that the aforesaid One hundred and twenty foot of ground might be confirmed to him - the said Robert Gordon his heirs and assigns for ever by an Act to be past in his favour having set forth in his Petition that he would build a Dwelling house and Ship yard on the same

Be it therefore Enacted by his Lordship the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietor by & with the Advice and Consent of his Lordship's Governour and the Upper and lower houses of assembly of this Province and the Authority of the same that the said Robert Gordon his heirs and assigns for ever shall be and they hereby be vested in a good and valuable estate of Inheritance in the whole of and into the aforesaid quantity of One hundred and twenty foot of Land in length along Prince Georges Street at the upper end of the said lot with the whole breadth thereof with the Book Land Custom or Usage to the contrary notwithstanding

Provided always and it is hereby enacted that the said Robert Gordon's Improving the said Land bank or any part thereof shall in no wise prejudice or obstruct a public Landing at that place or prejudice any of the contiguous lots thereto

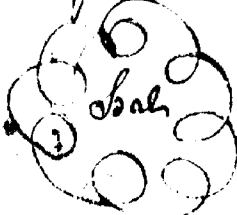
Saving to his most Sacred Majesty his heirs and Successors and to the right Honorable the Lord Proprietary his heirs and Successors & to all Bodies politick and Corporations all others not mentioned in this Act their several & respective Rights

October the 15th 1723.
Read and Reported to by the lower house of assembly & signed & passed in Council
Wm. Dufferin

October the 26th 1723
On Behalf of the Right Honorable the Lord Proprietary of this Province
I will this be a Law

October the 15th 1723
Read and Reported to by the upper house of assembly and signed & passed
Samuel Shippin

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