

And Whereas at a Session of Assembly held at the City of Annapolis on the Sixth day of June Anno Domini Seventeen hundred and Nineteen An Act of Assembly past in favour of the said Robert Johnson that he the said Robert Johnson his heirs and Assignes should be Vested in a good Sure Indefeasable Estate of Inheritance in fee Simple of and unto 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 Assignes should apply the said part of the Lot of ground aforesaid to any other use than that of a Ship Carpenters Yard (except necessary buildings for that service) and also fail to pay the Corporation of the City of Annapolis five Mill. Current money Annually for the ground Rent thereof within two months after reasonable request made and shall also neglect to carry on the business of a Ship Wright for the space of twelve months together and pay the Proprietary the proportionable part of the Assessment thereon then it shall and may be Lawful to and for the said Corporation into the said parcel or Lot of ground to re-enter and the same to Possess in as full and ample manner to all intents and 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 & removed one of the said houses from off the freehold and 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 Johnsons Widow Compensation for what Expence the said Johnson was at in the Improvements made by him on the said ground & that she hath relinquished her right in favour of the said Robert Gordon & that the Conditions aforesaid were not Complied with

As Also for that the said Robert Gordon is possessor of a tenement of Land Contiguous & Bordering with the said parcel of Land laid out for the said Robert Johnson deced & therefore that the said one hundred & twenty feet of ground might be Confirmed to him the said Robert Gordon his heirs and Assignes for ever by An Act to be past in his favour having set forth in his petition that he would build a dwelling house & Ship Yard on the same

Be it Therefore Enacted By his Lordship the Right Honourable the Lords Prop^{rs} By and with the Advice & Consent of his Lordships Governour & the Upper & Lower houses of Assembly of this Province & the Authority of the same that the same Robert Gordon his heirs & Assignes for ever shall be & they hereby are Vested in a good Sure Indefeasable Estate of Inheritance in fee Simple of six Drums the aforesaid Quantity of one hundred & 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 Creek any Law Custom or Usage to the Contrary Notwithstanding Provided always that if the said Robert Gordon his heirs or Assignes shall apply the said parcel of the Lot of ground aforesaid to any other use then that of a Ship Carpenters Yard