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and heirs at law of the said Edward Wilson deceased, all her interest and right of dower, in and to the lands and premises aforesaid, with the improvements and appurtenances; and whereas the said Lydia, the widow of said Edward Wilson was also seized and possessed of the following described lands and tenements, with the improvements and appurtenances thereto belonging, which by her certain deed of bargain and sale, she conveyed to the said Mary R. Lockwood, Edward Wilson, Sarah A. Wilson, Lydia P. Wilson and William Wilson, their heirs and assigns forever, as tenants in common, and not as joint tenants; that is to say, a tract or parcel of land, one part whereof is situate in Appoquinimink hundred, New-Castle county and state of Delaware; and the other part whereof is situate in Kent county, in the state of Maryland, adjoining lands of Isaac Gibbs; and lands of the heirs of the said Edward Wilson deceased, containing seven hundred and twenty-four acres, more or less: also a tract or parcel of land, situate in Cecil county and state of Maryland, bounded by the road leading from Warwick to Sassafras neck; and by the road leading from Warwick aforesaid, to the head of Sassafras river, containing by computation, four hundred and thirty-four acres: and whereas the said Lydia, widow of said Edward Wilson, afterwards intermarried with a certain Joseph Whitby, who died in the year eighteen hundred and twenty, leaving the said Lydia, his widow, him surviving; and the said Lydia Whitby, afterwards, and on or about the eleventh day of June, in the year eighteen hundred and twenty-one, did grant and convey to the said Mary R. Lockwood, Edward Wilson, Sarah A. Wilson, Lydia P. Wilson and William Wilson, their heirs and assigns as tenants in common, and not as joint tenants, the following described lands and tenements, with the improvements and appurtenances; that is to say, a tract or parcel of land, situate in Appoquinimink hundred, New-Castle county and state of Delaware, bounded by lands of William Alfree, esquire, William Gooding, and lands of the heirs of John Scott, deceased, containing by computation, four hundred acres; a tract or parcel of woodland, lying and being in the hundred, county and state last aforesaid, bounded by lands late of Arnold Naudine, the elder, Cantwell Jones and others, and containing fifty acres, more or less: and whereas, it is intended by this act to enable the said heirs and grantees, to cause the said lands and tenements, with the appurtenances so lying in the states of Delaware and Maryland, to be divided among them as one estate, without the expense of several divisions: Therefore,

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That* on the application of the said heirs at law, or their guardians or trustees to the Chancellor of the state of Delaware; he is hereby authorized, after entering such application of said heirs or their guardians or trustees, requesting division and partition agreeably to this act, on the rolls of the court of chancery, of the state of Delaware, to issue a commission, directed to seven free holders, (four of whom shall be citizens and free holders of the state of Delaware; and three of whom shall be citizens and free holders of the state of Maryland) to be appointed commissioners by the said Chancellor, authorizing and requiring them or a majority of them, being

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