

Made on the Western Side the Bay Especially, and in Cecil County, and the  
the Military Officers Instructions and Commission for a Defensive War or  
Continued against the Northern Indians —

That if the Peace with the Northern Indians cannot otherwise be  
Procured for our Neighbour Indians at Piscataway and the rest of our  
Friend Indians on both Sides the Bay, that the Governor of New York  
be perswaded to Deny the Northern Indians Trade, unless they will hold  
Peace with us, and all our Neighbour Indians on both Sides the Bay, and  
that in that case it be Urged that they cannot in reason deny it to us, since  
they deny the Onoydes and Onondagoes Trade unless they will keep Peace with  
the Sinnondorantes and so force those Nations to peace though out of the reach of  
their Arms —

And further in case they deny Trade to the Indians as aforesaid but upon the  
Terms aforesaid, that they be informed that his Majesties Subjects in Virginia as  
well as Maryland will suffer by the Passage of those Northern Indians to War with  
the Indians under his Majesties Protection in Virginia as well as with the  
Indians in Maryland, and that in that case we must apply ourselvs to  
his Royal Highness (if in England) or to his Majesty and Council —

These things we hope will appear reasonable to both houses when  
they Consider —

1<sup>stly</sup> That the Piscataways became Inimies to the Susquehannahs  
merely upon the Score of Articles made with the Honourable Leonard Calvert  
Esq: at first, and after by assisting us against them in the year 1676. That tis  
the remnant of the Susquehannahs that engage those Northern Nations with  
whom they are now Incorporated to revenge thereupon the Piscataways &  
minding them that the Piscataways formerly killed some of the Northern  
Indians at Ann Arundell and St. Maries, because those Northern Indians had  
Murdered English in Petawisco and other places, and rendered the Pip:  
cattaways Suspected to us —

2<sup>dly</sup> That if we abandon the Piscataways they must incorporate with  
the Northern Indians, and in that case become another Inraged Enemy with  
the Susquehannahs —

3<sup>dly</sup> That then no Nation (not even the Northern Indians themselves) —  
will ever trust us more, and the Nanticookes and Eastern Shore Indians  
must follow the example of the Piscataways; after which we shall be  
as friendless as faithless, and utterly unable to deal with this skulking  
Enemy that wars only by Surprise —

Signed P. Order of the Committee —  
John Sewellin Clerk

The Approbation of this house therunto was thus Subscribed 203<sup>rd</sup>  
Upper house 5th May 1682 —

Read and Approved by this house, Recommended to the Consideration  
of the Lower house — Signed P. Order of Assembly