

legislative council and general assembly of this State—  
and am, very respectfully, &c. &c. &c.

SAML. L. SOUTHARD.

To his Excellency

The Governor of Maryland.

Whereas, the people of the State of South Carolina, in Convention assembled, have, by an ordinance, dated twenty fourth of November, eighteen hundred and thirty two, declared and ordained that the several acts and parts of acts of the congress of these United States, purporting to be laws for the imposing of duties and imposts on the importation of foreign commodities, are unauthorised by the constitution, violate the true intent and meaning thereof, and are null and void and not binding upon the said State, its officers or citizens have proclaimed their determination to enforce said ordinance at every hazard, denied the authority of the General Government to enforce the revenue laws within the said State of South Carolina, and transmitted a copy of such ordinance, together with an appeal to the people of the United States, to the Executive of this State:

And whereas the high obligations we owe to our common country, as a member of this great confederacy, as well as the due preservation of the inestimable privileges we enjoy under this free and happy government, secured by the toils and cemented by the blood of our common ancestors has rendered it an imperative duty to proclaim our opinions upon this important subject—Therefore in the name and in behalf of the people of the State of New Jersey, and as their legal representatives.

Be it resolved by the council and General Assembly of said state, That the constitution adopted and sanctioned by the people of these United States, as well as our early history, our common interest, our habits, our intercourse, our love of frædom, the honor, strength and durability of our country, proclaim that all the states of this Union, make one indivisible nation united in prosperity and adversity, in peace as in war, by the sacred and indissoluble bond of their Union.