

By the Committee appointed to devise ~~some~~ ~~ways~~ ~~of~~ ~~supplying~~ the Troops of this State with
Cloathing and other necessaries at reasonable prices during the present war, and for making Provision
for the Officers and Widows of Officers after the Termination thereof

Your Committee being desirous to relieve as far as possible the Troops of this State from the
Inconveniences and Hardships to which they are at present subject, and to make Provision for
the Officers and Widows of Officers after the End of the present war, beg leave to submit the
following Resolutions to the honorable House, as most conducive to these desirable purposes

1st Resolved, That in Consideration of the great Services rendered by the Officers of the said Troops, the
the half pay of every Officer of the Maryland Line, who by a Resolution of Congress shall be entitled to
receive half pay during seven Years after the Termination of the present war, be continued by this
State from the End of the said seven Years for and during the life of every such Officer

2^d Resolved, That every Officer of the said Troops be furnished by this State with linen of good Quality suffi-
cient for four Shirts, and also a complete Suit of Regimental Uniform every Year during his Continuance in the
said Service at the price for which the same might have been procured at the Commencement of the present War

3^d Resolved, That the Widows (of the Officers of this State in the Continental Service, who have died or hereafter may die
in the Service during the present War,) shall be entitled to half of the pay which their Husbands were respectively
entitled to while in the Service; during their Widowhood, the said half pay to commence at the Death of the Officer

4th Resolved, That the Articles hereafter mentioned be delivered to the Officers and Soldiers of the Maryland Line at the
following determinate Rates, to wit: West India Rum at 5^{ts} per Gallon, Muscovado Sugar at 1¹/₂ per pound; Coffee at
1¹/₆ ditto; Bohea Tea at 10^{ts} ditto; Chocolate at 2¹/₆ ditto; Hard Soap at 1¹/₃ ditto; Tobacco at 6¹/₉ ditto

5th Resolved, That the Lands which may be granted within this State to Officers and Soldiers serving in the Troops of the State,
in consequence of a Resolution of Congress of September 16th 1776, shall be exempted from Taxation while they continue
in the possession of such Officers or Soldiers, and before any Alienation thereof made, and not after

6th Resolved, That the several Articles above enumerated shall be delivered to the several Officers and
Soldiers in the Maryland Line in the following Manner and no other, viz: Every commissioned Officer shall
be entitled ^{to draw} One Quart of Rum per Day, ten pounds of Muscovado Sugar, half a pound of Tea, three pounds
of Coffee, One pound of Chocolate, two pounds of Soap, and one pound of Tobacco per Month, and no more.

Every non-commissioned Officer and private Soldier may draw one Gile of Rum per Day, which shall be
done by an Order in Writing from the commanding Officer of the Regiment, and then only in such Cases
where it is absolutely necessary, and cannot be furnished by the continental Commissaries, One pound
of Tobacco per Month, and eight pounds of Sugar and half a pound of Tea for every six Men per Month

That the Agent or person appointed or to be appointed by this State to deliver the above Articles, shall at the
End of every Month, deliver to the Paymaster of each Regiment a fair list of the Sum or Sums due by each
Officer or Soldier for the several Articles furnished by him at the Prices before stipulated which Sum or Sums
shall be deducted from the pay of such Officer or Soldier

Resolved, That the Governor and Council be empowered and requested to give Directions to the Agent appointed or to be ap-
pointed by this State, to procure the articles before enumerated for the Officers and Soldiers in the Maryland Line and to
deliver the same to them in the proportion & manner herein before directed. Signed per Order: Hodges, Secy

On Motion the Question was put, That Mr. Parrishall have Leave of Absence? Resolved in the Affirmative

On Motion the Question was put, That Mr. Bayly have Leave of Absence? Resolved in the Affirmative

On Motion the Question was put, That Mr. Widner have Leave of Absence? Carried in the Negative

Mr. Hays's Letter to the Speaker read a second Time
The House adjourns till To-morrow Morning 9 o'clock