

At a GENERAL MEETING of the FREEHOLDERS, GENTLEMEN, MERCHANTS, TRADESMEN and other INHABITANTS of BALTIMORE COUNTY, held at the Court-house of the said county on Tuesday the 31st of MAY, 1774.

Capt. CHARLES RIDGLEY, Chairman.

## RESOLVED It.

**T**HAT it is the opinion of this Meeting, that the town of Boston is now suffering in the common cause of AMERICA, and that it is the duty of every colony in America to unite in the most effectual means to obtain a repeal of the late Act of Parliament for blocking up the Harbour of Boston.--- Dissident Three.

**II.** THAT it is the opinion of this Meeting, that if the colonies come into a joint resolution to stop importations from, and exportations to Great-Britain and the West Indies, until the Act for blocking up the harbour of Boston be repealed: The same may be the means of preserving North America in her liberties.----- Dissident Three.

**III.** THAT therefore the inhabitants of this county will join in an association with the several counties in this province and the principal colonies in America, to put a stop to exports to Great-Britain and the West-Indies, after the 1st day of October next, or such other day as may be agreed on, and to put a stop to the imports from Great-Britain after the 1st day of December next or such other day as may be agreed upon, until the said Act shall be repealed, and that such association shall be upon OATH.--- Dissident nine.

**IV.** UNANIMOUSLY.---That it is the opinion of this Meeting, that as the most effectual means of uniting all parts of this province in such association; as proposed, a general congress of Deputies from each county be held at Annapolis at such time as may be agreed upon, and that if agreeable to the sense of our sister colonies, Delegates shall be appointed from this province to attend a general congress of Delegates from the other colonies at such time and place as shall be agreed on, in order to settle and establish a general plan of conduct for the important purposes fore-mentioned.

**V.** UNANIMOUSLY.-----That the Inhabitants of this county will, and it is the opinion of this Meeting, that this province ought to break off all trade and dealings with that colony, province or town, which shall decline or refuse to come into similar resolutions with a majority of the colonies.

**VI.** THAT Capt. Charles Ridgely, Charles Ridgely, Son of John, Walter Tolley, junr. Thomas Cockey Deye, William Lux, Robert Alexander, Samuel Purviance, junr, John Moale, Andrew Buchanan, and George Risseau be a Committee, to attend a General Meeting at Annapolis. And that the same Gentlemen, together with John Smith, Thomas Harrison, William Buchanan, Benjamin Nicholson, Thomas Sollars, William Smith, James Gittings, Richard Moale, Jonathan Plowman, and William Spear, be a Committee of Correspondence to receive and answer all letters, and on any emergency, to call a general meeting, and that any six of the number, have power to act. ●●

**VII.** That a copy of the proceedings be transmitted to the several counties of this province, directed to their Committee of Correspondence, and be also published in the Maryland Gazette, to evince to all the world the sense they entertain of the invasion of their Constitutional Rights and Liberties.

**VIII.** That the Chairman be desired to return the thanks of this Meeting to the Gentlemen of the Committee of Correspondence from Annapolis for their polite personal attendance in consequence of an invitation by the Committee of Correspondence for Baltimore-Town.

Signed per Order,

WILLIAM LUX, Clk.