

## GENTLEMEN,

You are to repair immediately to the City of *New-York*, in the Province of *New-York*, and there join with the Committees from the Houses of Representatives of the other Colonies, in a general and united, dutiful, loyal, and humble Representation to his Majesty, and the *British* Parliament, of the Circumstances and Condition of the *British* Colonies and Plantations, and to pray Relief from the Burthens and Restraints lately laid on their Trade and Commerce, and especially from the Taxes imposed by an Act of the last Sessions of Parliament, granting and applying certain Stamp Duties, and other Duties, in the *British* Colonies and Plantations in *America*, whereby they are deprived, in some Instances, of that invaluable Privilege of *Englishmen*, and *British* Subjects, Trials by Juries. That you take Care that such Representation shall, humbly and decently, but expressly, contain an Assertion of the Rights of the Colonists, to be exempt from all and every Taxation and Impositions upon their Persons and Properties, to which they do not consent in a Legislative Way, either by themselves or their Representatives, by them freely chosen and appointed.

Signed by Order of the House,

ROBERT LLOYD, Speaker.

From the Province of *South-Carolina*,  
 THOMAS LYNCH,  
 CHRISTOPHER GADSDEN, } Esquires.  
 JOHN RUTLEDGE,

Who produced the following Appointment.

T H U R S D A Y, *July 25, 1765.*

The House (according to Order) took into Consideration, the Letter from the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the *Massachusetts-Bay*, laid before them on Friday last, and a Debate arising thereon, and some Time spent therein, ORDERED, That the said Letter be referr'd to a Committee of the following Gentlemen, *viz.* Capt. *Gadsden*, Mr. *Wright*, Mr. *Galliard*, Mr. *Wragg*, Mr. *Parsons*, Mr. *Pinckney*, Col. *Laurence*, Mr. *Rutledge*, Mr. *Manigault*, Mr. *Drayton*.

F R I D A Y, *July 26, 1765.*

Capt. *Gadsden* Reported from the Committee appointed to consider of the Letter sent from the Speaker of the House of Representatives, of the Province of the *Massachusetts-Bay*, to the Speaker of this House, and to report their Opinion thereupon, of the Expediency and Utility of the Measures therein proposed, and the best Means to effect the Relief therein mentioned:

That they are of Opinion, the Measure therein proposed, is prudent and necessary, and therefore recommend to the House, to send a Committee, to meet the Committees from the Houses of Representatives, or Burgesses, of the several *British* Colonies on this Continent, at *New-York*, the First Tuesday in *October* next.

That