

men to make warre vpon certaine ennemies Piratts, and Robbers that had vsurped a parte of Delaware Baye lying within the fortyth Degree of Northerly Latitude as followeth (viz^t)

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Cæcilius Absolute Lord and Proprietary of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baltemore &c To our Trusty and welbeloved Captaine James Neale, and to all our officers in Maryland and all others whome it may Concearne Greeting Whereas wee vnderstand that certaine Ennemies Pyratts & Robbers haue invaded and vsurped a parte of our said Province of Maryland lying vpon the South side of Delaware Baye within the degree of forty Northerly Latitude and diuers Forreigno^{rs} furnish them with Vessells Armes Provisions and other Goods to mayntayne their said vnjust vsurpacōn Knowe yee That wee reposeing truste and confidence in the Courage and Experience in martiall affaires and good affeccōn of yo^w the said Captaine Neale Doe by theis p^rsents appoynte and authorize yo^w the Said Captaine Neale to Leavy muster and trayne any men in our said Province of Maryland for the tyme being that shall be willing to Assist yo^w in an Expedicon against the said Ennemies Pyratts and Robbers, and to make warre against and to pursue any the said Ennemies Pyratts and Robbers or any Forreigno^{rs} or their Ships or other Vessells aydeing or abetting them as aforesaid as well by Sea as by land yea even without the lymitts of our said Province and by Gods Assistance to vanquish and take them And to seize to our vse all or any howses and Goods of the said Ennemies Pyratts and Robbers or their Abettors which shall be vpon the Shoare within the lymitts of our said Province takeing and keepinge to yo^r owne vse all such Goods on Shoare which shall be seized by yo^w as aforesaid And to doe all and every thing which in such case vnto the Charge and office of a Captaine or Comander in cheife (for the said expedicōn) vnder our Leiuettennant of the said Province belongeth which psons soe taken yo^w are to bring and deliuer to our Leiuettenn^t of the Said Province for the tyme being And all Vessells with their Goods soe taken yo^w are to bring into some Porte of our said Province without breakeing Bulke Selling Disposeing or altering the property of any of the said Vessells or Goods afore yo^w haue caused the same to be Duely Inventoryed and appraysed and adjudged in our said Province lawfull Prize, After which Adjudicacōn yo^w may take and keepe the same to yo^r owne vse, paying vnto vs or our Receivor Generall there for the tyme being for our vse the twentyth parte of the vallue thereof att the appraysement Prouided that by p^rtence thereof yo^w neither doe nor permitt to be done any Violence or Injury to any Shipp

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