

deprived of the means of procuring subsistence for themselves and families, by the operation of the said act for blocking up their harbour, and that the same be collected by the committees of the respective counties, and shipped by them in such provisions as may be thought most useful.

*IX. Unanimously resolved,* That this committee embrace this public opportunity, to testify their gratitude and most cordial thanks to the patrons and friends of liberty in Great Britain, for their patriotic efforts to prevent the present calamity of America.

*X. Resolved,* That Matthew Tilghman, Thomas Johnson, jun., Robert Goldsborough, William Paca, and Samuel Chase, Esqrs., or any two or more of them, be deputies for this province, to attend a general congress of deputies from the colonies, at such time and place as may be agreed on to effect one general plan of conduct, operating on the commercial connection of the colonies with the mother country, for the relief of Boston and preservation of American liberty; and that the deputies for this province immediately correspond with Virginia and Pennsylvania, and through them with the other colonies, to obtain a meeting of the general congress, and to communicate, as the opinion of this committee, that the twentieth day of September next will be the most convenient time, and the city of Philadelphia the most convenient place, for a meeting, which time and place, to prevent delay, they are directed to propose.

*XI. Resolved unanimously,* That this province will break off all trade and dealings with that colony, province, or town which shall decline or refuse to come into the general plan which may be adopted by the colonies.

*XII. Resolved,* That the deputies for this province, upon their return, call together the committees of the several counties, and lay before them the measures adopted by the general congress.

*Ordered,* That copies of these resolutions be transmitted to the committees of correspondence for the several colonies, and be also published in the Maryland Gazette.

By order,

JOHN DUCKETT, Clk. Com.