

Chiefs of this our Province to the Government thereof every Con-
 = adorably Increased in the number of its Inhabitants as well as Buildings
 Both publick and private Soe that it Excelleth all other Townes and
 Ports in our said Province and for that our present Seale of Governm^t
~~the~~ within our Province aforesaid is fixed at the said Ports and
 Towne Whereby the same is become the Chief Mart of the whole
 Countrey Wee being willing to encourage all our Good and faith-
 full Subjects as well at present Residing and Inhabiting or which
 hereafter shall or may Inhabit or Reside within the said Ports of
 Annapolis of our Royall Grace good will and moore motion with the
 Advice of our Councill in our said Province have thought fitt and
 Doe by these our Letters Patents Constitute and Erect the said Towne and
 Ports of Annapolis together with the Circuits and Precincts thereof includ-
 = ing the lands heretofore laid out for the said Towne and Ports of Annapolis
 Publick pasturo and Towne Common together with the River and Coocks
 adjacent into a City by the name of the City of Annapolis and Doe grant
 to the Inhabitants of the said City that the same City shall be Incor-
 = porate City Consisting of a Mayor one person Learned in the Law skilled
 and bearing the office of Recorder of the said City and Six Aldermen
 and Tenn other persons to be Common Councill men of the said City
 which said Mayor Recorder Aldermen and Common Councill men
 shall be a body Incorporated and one Community for ever in Right and by
 the name of Mayor Recorder Aldermen and Common Councill of
 the said City of Annapolis shall be able and Capable to sue be sued
 at Law and to ail and execute doe and performe as a body Incorporated
 which shall have succession for ever and to that end to have a Common
 Seale and that Amos Garrett Esq. one of the Inhabitants of the said City
 shall for the present be and be named Mayor of the said City for the Ensu-
 = ing year and Wornoll Hunt Esq. Recorder thereof and William
 = Bladen, John Freeman, Benj. Goddham, Evan Jones, Tho: Boardley
 and Josiah Willson Esqs Inhabitants of the said City shall be
 Aldermen thereof soe long as they shall well behavethemselves
 therein having first Taken and subscribed the Test and severall
 Oaths for security of the Government as by Law Established and alsoe
 the Oath appointed by us or our present Governour to be taken by the
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