

\* A Letter and a State of our Rights and grievances we beg leave to report as follows viz<sup>t</sup>

That it is our Opinion, that the Inhabitants of this Town have an undoubted Right, as Men, to Consult with and communicate their Opinions to any or either of the Towns in this Province respecting any matter of Grievance, that Affects the whole.

That the Acts of the British Parliament, and Measures pursued by the Administration in England, which have taken place in these Colonies, and especially in this Province within these few years; are sufficiently alarming to awaken our Attention and sufficiently Grievous to justify complaint

We are constrained to declare it is our Opinion that our Liberties have been struck at, and our Charter Rights, infringed by the above said Acts &c. which we think are unjust and Oppressive in themselves, but rendered more so by the extraordinary methods made use of, to force our Obedience to them

To Innumerate particularly all the Grievances, of which we have just Reason to complain, would be beyond our present design and perhaps needless; they being (as we apprehend) justly and fairly stated, in the Pamphlet which has been Read to this Town sent by our Obliging and respectable Brethren of the Town of Boston.

We further say that it is our Opinion, that nothing short of a radical redress of our Grievances, will restore that Harmony, and Good understanding between Great Britain and these Colonies which it is our sincere desire, might always subsist between us

We are Willing and desirous to concur with our Brethren throughout the Province, in all lawful and constitutional ways, to recover and maintain our Rights and Liberties, One of which is, that of Instructing our Representative

#### Instructions to John Noyes Esq<sup>r</sup>

Sir you being chosen, by the Inhabitants of this Town to represent them in the great and General Court or Assembly of this Province we think proper at this critical Day, when our invaluable rights and Privileges are so openly invaded, to give you the following Instructions viz<sup>t</sup>

That you invariably adhere to, and steadfastly maintain (so far as you are able) all our Charter Rights and Privileges, and that you do not consent to give them, or any of them up, on any pretence whatever.

85 That you make use of all your Influence, that some effectual method be devised and pursued for the restoration of our Violated Rights and a redress of all our Grievances

That you use your endeavor that the Governor be prevailed upon to