Maryland, ss. **FREDERICK**, Absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Provinces of *Maryland* and *Avalon*, Lord Baron of *Baltimore*, &c. To all Persons to whom these Presents shall come Greeting in our Lord GOD Everlasting. KNOW YE, That Whereas Richard Brooke of Prince George's County by his Humble Petition did Set forth that there was about the quantity of twenty three Acres of Vacant Land lying and being in the Bounds appointed for Management of Land Affairs within this Province and Set forth that there was about the quantity of twenty three Acres of Vacant Land lying and being in the Bounds appointed for management of Part of a Tract of Land called the Addition to Brooks Discovery on the rich Land Pretty Cultivated by meanes whereof the Petitioner Conceived the same could not be taken up by any Common Warrant Therefore Humbly Prayed a special Warrant to Get and Secure it and that on return of a Certificate of such Survey he Complying with all requisite Ceremonies might have our Grant Issue unto him thereon which was Granted him and accordingly a Warrant on the twenty Seventh day of January Seventeen hundred and Sixty three was Issued for that purpose did Issue Pro Rata Whereupon it is Certified into our Land Office that there was Surveyed and Laid Out for and in the Name of him the said Richard Brooke the quantity of twenty six Acres twenty three Acres whereof Rights were made good to at the time of Granting said Warrant and for the remaining three Acres the Fees thereof were Satisfied unto Edward Lloyd Esqr our Present Agent and receiver General for our use as well the Sum of three Shillings Sterling Caution for the same on the Stating of two Shillings for Some Improvements Mentioned to be made thereon according to Charles Lord Baron of Baltimore our Great Grandfather of Noble Memory his Instructions to Charles Carroll Esqr his then Agent bearing date at London the Ninth day of September Seventeen hundred and twelve and registered in our Secretary's Office of our said Province Together with a Paragraph of our Dear Father's Instructions bearing date at London the fifteenth day of December Seventeen hundred and thirty eight and registered in our Land Office We do therefore hereby Grant unto him the said Richard Brooke all that Tract of Land Called Brooke Meadow Lying in the Bounds aforesaid Beginning at the end of the one hundred and fifty first Line of the Addition to Brooke's Discovery on the rich Land it being the North twenty five degrees East one hundred and fourteen Perches Line of the aforesaid Land and running thence North fifty one degrees and an half Degree West one hundred and twenty Perches South twenty eight degrees and a half degree West one hundred and twenty perches South two perches North eighty three degrees and a half degree East one hundred and thirty perches South forty two degrees East thirty six perches North twenty seven degrees East twelve Perches North twelve degrees East twenty perches South fifty two degrees East one hundred and eight perches then by a straight Line to the Beginning containing and now laid out for Twenty six Acres of Land

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according to the Certificate of Survey thereof, taken and returned into our Land-Office, bearing Date the Seventh Day of May Seventeen hundred and Sixty three and there remaining, together with all Rights, Profits, Benefits, and Privileges, thereunto belonging, Royal Mines excepted, To Have and to Hold the same, unto him the said Richard Brooke his Heirs and Assigns, for ever, to be holden of Us and our Heirs, as of our Manor of Conegocheige in free and common Soccage, by Fealty only for all Manner of Services, YIELDING and PAYING therefore, yearly, unto Us, and our Heirs, at our Receipt at our City of *St. Mary's*, at the two most usual Feasts in the Year, *viz.* the Feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin *Mary*, and St. *Michael* the Arch Angel, by even and equal Portions, the Rent of One Shilling Sterling, in Silver or Gold; and for a Fine upon every Alienation of the said Land, or any Part or Parcel thereof, one whole Year's Rent, in Silver or Gold, or the full Value thereof, in such Commodities as we and our Heirs, or such Officer or Officers as shall be appointed by Us and our Heirs, from Time to Time, to collect and receive the same, shall accept in Discharge thereof, at the Choice of Us and our Heirs, or such Officer or Officers aforesaid: Provided, That if the said Sum for a Fine for Alienation, shall not be paid unto Us and our Heirs, or such Officer or Officers aforesaid, before such Alienation, and the said Alienation entered upon Record, either in the Provincial Court, or County Court, where the same Parcel of Land lieth, within one Month next after such Alienation; then the said Alienation shall be void and of no Effect. Given under our Great Seal of our said Province of *Maryland*, this Twenty Sixth Day of July *Anno Domini* Seventeen hundred and Sixty three Witness our trusty and well-beloved Horatio Sharpe, Esq; Lieutenant-General and Chief Governor of our said Province of *Maryland*, and Chancellor and Keeper of the Great Seal thereof.