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the above mentioned premises and every part thereof against them the Henry Livingston and Martha his wife and against their heirs executors & assigns and against all and every other person or persons whatsoever claiming the same or any part or parts thereof shall and will warrant and forever defend by these presents. In Witness whereof they the said Henry Livingston and Martha his wife, have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals the day and year first above written

Signed, Sealed, and Delivered

In the presence of

Micheal Ellis  
Silas Motts  
James Drewry  
John Livingston

Henry Livingston  
Martha Livingston

Stamilton County etc

The Commonwealth of Virginia to Robert Gossage and Messrs. Collier, gentlemen, greeting, Whereas Henry Livingston and Martha his wife have by certain Indentures of bargain and sale dated the 20<sup>th</sup> day of August 1806, conveyed unto Robert Gossage of the County of Southampton the fee simple estate of and in two hundred & twenty six acres of land with the appurtenances lying and being in the County of Southampton, and whereas the said Martha cannot conveniently travel to the Court of our said County to acknowledge the same, therefore we give to you power to receive the acknowledgment which the said Martha shall be willing to make before you of the conveyance aforesaid contained in the said Indentures which is hereto annexed, and you therefore command you to go personally to the said Martha, and receive her acknowledgment of the same and examine the said Indentures from her said husband whether she hath executed the said said Indentures voluntarily without the persuasion or threat of her husband, and whether she is willing the said Indentures should be recorded in the Court of our said County, and when you have examined her as aforesaid and taken her acknowledgment of the said Indentures that you verily & openly certify in writing under your hands and seals returning to us also that writeth with the said Indentures annexed Writings James Nease clerk of our said Court at his office the 19<sup>th</sup> day of August 1806 & so the 20<sup>th</sup> year of the Commonwealth.

James Nease

Southampton etc

As generally to the within commission to us directed we have gone to the house of Henry Livingston and personally examined Martha Livingston wife of the said Henry and apart from her husband whether she hath executed the said said Indentures voluntarily without the persuasion or threat of her said husband, and whether she is willing the annexed Indentures should be recorded in the County Court of Southampton, and she freely and voluntarily acknowledged