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10th April 1805.

Read the following Draft of a Proclamation, Referred to the Executive Council on the 28th March 1805, By Order of the Lieutenant Governor.

Draft

Peter Hunter, Esquire, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Upper Canada, and Lieutenant General Commanding His Majesty's Forces in Upper and Lower Canada.

To all whom it may concern, Greeting;

Whereas by a Notice, issued by the Executive Government of this Province, under the Administration of Mr President Russell, on the 8th day of July 1799: it was, amongst other things, signified to such Persons, as had settled upon Lands belonging to the Crown in this Province, without having obtained any authority, Licence, or Title so to do; that if after warning given, they should neglect or refuse, to remove from the said Lands, they should be prosecuted according to Law, and be disqualified from becoming partakers of His Majesty's Bounty, in any part of this Province. - And Whereas certain Persons notwithstanding such Notice, do still continue to occupy and possess such Lands, without any authority, Licence, or Title derived from the Crown to the same; and being willing, that these Persons may have the fullest Notice of their danger, and of the consequences of their Conduct, and that they may not avail themselves of the unmerited forbearance of the Crown, by assuming, or pretending, to any Right, Claim, or Title, in or to the Lands, so illegally and unjustly occupied and possessed by them as aforesaid: I Peter Hunter Esquire, Lieutenant Governor of the said Province, Do, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council thereof, hereby again give Notice to, and warn, such Person or Persons that do possess and occupy Lands therein, without any Licence, Title, or Right whatever derived from the Crown, having ever been obtained for such Lands, forthwith to quit and remove from the same; it being the intent of the Executive Government of this Province, to prevent and frustrate such illegal and fraudulent Usurpations, as well as to support the Claims of such Individuals, as are justly entitled to the enjoyment of His Majesty's Bounty therein.

Given under my hand and Seal at Arms at York this    day of April in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and five, and in the forty fifth year of His Majesty's

Reign.

The Committee Concurs in recommending this Proclamation to be Published.

(signed) Peter Russell

Presiding Councillor

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(signed) P: Hunter Lt: Govr:

Adjourned (signed) Peter Russell

Presiding Councillor

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