

The Governor, Council, and General Assembly of the
Freemen of the State of Vermont

To All People, to whom these presents shall come, Greeting
Know ye, that whereas Captain Jesse Leavenworth, and
his associates, our worthy friends, have by petition,
requested a grant of a Tract of unappropriated Lands
within this State, in Order for vetting a new
Plantation to be created into a Township we have
therefore thought fitt for the due Encouragement of their
laudable designs, and for other valuable considerations as
hereunto moving; And do, by these presents, in the
Name and by the Authority of the Freemen of the
State of Vermont give and grant, the Tract of Land
hereafter described and bounded unto him the said Jesse
Leavenworth, and to the several persons hereafter named,
his associates in equal shares, viz. Jesse Leavenworth,
Jun^r Mark Leavenworth, William Leavenworth *Eneas*
Munson, Isaac Doolittle, Robert Fairchild, Ebenezer
Craft, Esmother, Newell, James Lane, Elias Townsend,
William Holmes, Richard Mansfield, Nathan

Leavenworth, Moses Beecher, James Whittaw,
Alexander Hervey, David Briant, Frederick
Leavenworth, Jonathan Heath, Eunice Johnson, Thomas
Lyford, Edmund Chapman, Benjamin Webster,
David Blanchard, Jonathan Elkins, Jonathan Elkins
Jun^r, William Chamberlin, Ephraim Foster, Abiel
Blanchard, Benjamin Ambrose, Wheelar Douglass,
Asa Douglass, John Douglass, John Hancock Douglass,
Atanson Douglass, Beriah Palmer, Martha Douglass,
Ebenezer Jones, Jesse Gardiner, Mary Andrews,
William Douglass, Content Douglass, Asa Douglass
Jun^r, Zebulun Douglass, Lyman Fitchcock, Nathaniel
Wales, Sophia Fitchcock, John Batchelor, Eliphalet
Richards, Jonathan Pettit, Matthew Walton, Ezekiel
Eiffanz, Abiel Blanchard, Peter Blanchard, Reuben
Blanchard, Jason Cross, Solomon Johnson, Robert
Hawes, Samuel *Rewel*, David Waters, Thomas
Chittenden, Paul Spooner, Joseph Fay, Abigail Gunn,
and Barabas Morse, which together with the five
following Rights, or equal Shares reserved to the several
publick Abes in Manner following, include the whole

of said Tract or Township, viz. One Right for the use of a seminary or college, one Right for the use of County Grammar Schools in said State, Lands to the amount of one Right to be and remain for the Purpose of Settlement of a Minister or Ministers of the Gospel in said Township forever, Lands to the amount of one Right for the support of the social Worship of God in said Township, and Lands to the Amount of one Right for the support of an english School or Schools in said Township which said two Rights, for the use of a Seminary, or College, and for the use of County Grammar School, as aforesaid, and the Improvement, Rent, Interests and Profits arising there from, shall be under the Control, Order, Direction and Disposal of the General Assembly of said State forever, and the Proprietors of said Township, are hereby authorized and empowered, to locate said two Rights justly and equitably, or Quantity for Quantity, in such parts of said Township, as they or their committee shall judge will least incommode the general Settlement of said Tract or Township And the said Proprietors, are further

impowered to locate, the Lands aforesaid, amounting to three Rights assigned for the Settlement of a Minister, and Ministers for their Support and for the use and support of English Schools, in such and in so many Places, as they, or their Committee shall Judge will best accommodate the Inhabitants of said Township, when the same shall be fully vetted, and improved, laying the same equitably, or Quantity for Quantity, which said Lands amounting to the three Rights last mentioned, when located aforesaid, shall together with their Improvements, Rights, rents, Profits, dues and Interests remain unalienably appropriated to the uses and Purposes for which they are respectively assigned, and be under the Charge, Direction and Disposal of the inhabitants of said Township forever. Which Tract of Land hereby given and granted as aforesaid, is bounded and described as follows viz. Beginning at a stake and stones near a Maple Tree marked No. 1 standing on the North side of a Hill, thence running south fifty four Degrees east six Miles to a Beach Tree Marked Cabot Corner, standing on the south Side of a flat Beach Hill,

thence running South thirty six Degrees, west, six Miles to a great Hemlock marked Cabot Corner, a little North of a large Brook, thence North fifty four Degrees west six Miles to the Southwest corner of Woodbury, a stake and Stones near a large birch Tree marked Cabot Corner, a little south of a small Brook, thence North thirty six Degrees east six Miles to the Bounds began at. And that the same be and hereby is incorporated into the Township by the Name of Cabot, and the Inhabitants that do, or Shall hereafter inhabit said Township are declared to be enfranchised and entitled to all the Priviledges and Immunities which the Inhabitants of other Towns in this State do and ought by the Laws and Constitution of said State to exercise and enjoy. To have and to hold the said granted Premises, as above expressed, with all the Priviledges, and Appurtenances thereunto belonging or appertaining unto them and their respective Heirs and Assigns forever-upon the following Conditions and Reservations viz. That each Proprietor in the Township of Cabot aforesaid, his Heirs or Assigns, shall plant and cultivate five Acres of Land and build

and House, at least eighteen feet square on the Floor or have one Family, vetted on each respective Right, within the Term of Three Years, next after the Circumstances of the present War will admit of a settlement with safety, on Penalty of the forfeiture of each respective Right or Share of Land in said Township not so improved or vetted, and the same to revert to the Freemen of this State, to be by their Representatives regranted to such Persons as shall appear to settle and cultivate the same, that all Pine Timber suitable for a Navy, be reserved for the use and Benefit of the Freemen of this State.

In testimony whereof We have caused the Seal of this State to be Affixed in Council this seventeenth Day of August, in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty one, and in the 5th Year of our Independence-

Tho' Chittenden

By his Excellency's Command

Tho' Colman Dep^t Secret^r

*Recd and recorded in the first Book of Charters in fa-
Attest Joseph Fay, Secretary*

*The above and foregoing is a true Copy of the original
Charter of the Township of Cabot, and the Certificate
thereon-*

Est

Jesse Leavenworth Prop^r Clerk

*Recd for Record February, 1797 and Recorded in the
Records of the Town of Cabot in Book No. 2*

Attest Tho' Agood Town Clerk

LEGEND:

Transcribed by Will Walters on August 18th, 2006 from the original record.

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