the Policy of the State to pass acts of manumission at all (and your memorialists ~~would~~ would say (with entire ~~willingness~~ submission ~~however to submit~~ to the ~~decision of the~~ Genl. Assembly) that in Neds case they think there is ample cause to justify the passing such an act in his favor) that your memorialists know of no case which has arisen or can arise upon grounds merely meritorious, in which the benevolence of Manumission has been or can be more justly and beneficially administered than in the case of your petitioner Ned — Neds situation is truly as he has stated in his petition to your Honorable Body an unpleasant & precarious one — And in the humble opinion of your memorialists merits the attention and assistance of the Honorable the Genl. Assembly afford — All which however your memorialists most cheerfully & respectfully submit.

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