

## Call for a Convention to Meet in Williamsburg, 1774

### Transcription

30th May 1774

At a meeting of 25 of the late Representatives legally assembled by the Moderator, it was agreed

That Letters be wrote to all our Sister Colonies, acknowledging the Receipt of the Letters and Resolves from Boston &c. informing them, that before the same came to hand, the Virginia Assembly had been unexpectedly dissolved, and most of the Members returned to their respective Counties.

That it is the Opinion of all the late House of Burgesses who could be convened on the present Occasion, that the Colony of Virginia will concur with the other Colonies in such Measures as shall be judged most effectual for the Preservation of the Common Rights and Liberty of British America; that they are of Opinion particularly that an Association against Importations will probably be entered into, as soon as the late Representatives can be collected, and perhaps against Exportations also after a certain Time. But that this must not be considered an Engagement on the part of this Colony, which it would be presumption in us to enter into, and that we are sending Dispatches to call together the late Representatives to meet at Williamsburg on the first Day of August next to conclude finally on these important questions.

Peyton Randolph,	Mann Page Junr.	Wm Langhorne
Moderator	Charles Carter Senr:	T Blackburn
Ro. C. Nicholas	Js. Mercer	Edmd Berkeley
Edmd Pendleton	R. Wormeley Carter	Jno. Donelson
Will: Harwood	G. Washington	P. Carrington
Richd Adams	Francis Lightfoot Lee	Lewis Burwell (Gloucester)
Thom Whiting	Thos Nelson jr.	
Henry Lee	R. Rutherford	
Lemuel Riddick	John Walker	
Th. Jefferson	James Wood	

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