To His Honour Spencer Phips Lieut^t Govern^t & Commander in Chief in, & over His Majesties Province of the Maßachufetts Bay in New England & To the Honourable His Majesties Counsil & House of Representatives for the Said Province In the Generall Court Aßembled

The Memorial of Ephraim Williams of Stockbridge [torn] The County of Hamshire in Said Province in Behalf of the Indian Free Boarding Schooll There Humbly Sheweth

That ye Late Rev.d Mr Sargeant having Through Great Labour & Difficulty with the Generous Help of Mr Isaac Hollis of London Sett Up att Said Stockbridge a Free Boarding Schooll for the Education of Indian Children in Labour as Well as Learning & Religion with which ye Indians are att Length so greatly Pleased as to Sett Apart 200 Acres of their Uncultivated Land for its Improvement, and even Diverse of the Mohawks & other Tribes on our Frontiers Seem free & Desireous of Sending their Children to be brought Up in it and by the Free Subscription of Severrall other Persons a House for that Purpose has been Partly Built but for want of further Help is Like to Remain Unfinish,d & the Hopefull Prospects to Fall to the Ground

Your Memoriallist therefore Humbly Represents That if this Honourable Court would be Pleased to Give their Sufficient assistance in this Great, affair agreeable to the proffessed Design of the Original Settlers of this Province as Mentioned in the Royall Charter Ordered by the Generall Court to the Continually Printed att the Beginning of Everry Province Law Book It Appears highly Passable to be a happy Means Such as Never happen, designed before Not only of Propagating the Protestants Christian Religion

[verso:

and the Spiritual Kingdom,) & Honour(of our Common Savior among all the Indian Tribes on These Frontiers but also of Saving Them from being Carried off by ye Constant & assiduous Endeavours of ye French Popish Missionaries to their Religion & Interest to ye Immence Expence & Dammage of this Province & other Brittish Colonies in Times to come, but on ye Contrary of attaching the Said Tribes & their Posterrity

on this Crittical ocation therefore Least this Opporunity be Lost for Ever, Your Memoriallist humbly and Earnestly Prays Your Honours would Take this most Important Matter into Your Serious & Speedy Confideration & afford Such Help as may be Sufficient for the Carrying on this most Pious & momentaryous Defign Unto Perfection and Your Memoriallist will Ever pray as Bound &c

Boston Decemb r y e 5 th 1749 Eph $^{\underline{m}}$ Williams

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