To the Honorable, the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled,

respectfully represent, John Hecktor of Grafton, in the County of Worcester, that he now lives on certain real estate in said Grafton -- which he holds as a descendant of the Hassanamisco Indians. that the same is holden by the Commonwealth in trust for your petitioner, that disputes have arisen between him and one Harry Arnold, an illegitimate son of his mother as to the occupancy of said estate -- which it is impossible to settle by any process of law, but must from the nature of the case be adjusted and decided by your honorable body, and by persons duly authorized to act in the premises,

Wherefore he prays that the Judge of Probate for the County of Worcester, or any suitable person he may appoint, on the hearing of the whole matter may be authorized to assign to your petitioner the entire and exclusive occupa= ncy of said estate or such portion thereof as he shall deem just and proper -- and that your petitioner -- May have such further relief in the premises as the case may require

Grafton March 1845.

John Hecktor

[verso:

Petition of
John Hecktor
of Grafton
for the exclusive occupancy of certain real
estate held in trust for
the Hassanamisco Indians

Presented by John Milton Earle of Worcester

H. of R. Jan. 17. 1846 Referred to the Com. of Prob. & Chancery C. W. Storey Clk

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