

To the Hon. the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, in General Court assembled,

HUMBLY show, The Aqueduct Corporation in Boston—that in and by the several acts of the Legislature of said Commonwealth, of February 22d, 1795, of June 10th, 1796, and of June 22d, 1803, they were vested with corporate powers for the purpose of bringing fresh water into Boston from the town of Roxbury;—That they have constructed works and have brought fresh water into said City of Boston—hitherto from Jamaica Pond in said Roxbury; That they are desirous of availing themselves of other sources of supply, situated out of the bounds of said Roxbury—by conducting them into said Jamaica Pond, or otherwise, whereby the quantity of water may be increased, so as to meet the increased demand of the Inhabitants. That in order to accomplish this object, they propose to associate with them, a greater number of persons, than now constitute said Corporation, and for this purpose, they are desirous to increase the number of shares in said Corporation from one hundred to five hundred. That as a further means of accomplishing these objects, they believe that it may become important to them, to be enabled to hold a greater amount of real estate, than they are at present authorized to do—say to the value of not less than fifty thousand dollars. Wherefore; they pray, that they may be duly empowered by an Act of your Hon. Body to avail themselves of other sources of supply—to increase the number of their shares—and the amount in value of real estate, as is hereinbefore mentioned. And as in duty bound will ever pray.

WILLIAM PRATT,

President of the Aqueduct Corporation.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

IN SENATE, APRIL 18, 1838.

On the petition aforesaid, *Ordered*, That the Petitioners cause an attested copy of their Petition with this Order thereon, to be published six times successively in the Boston Daily Advertiser and the Atlas, newspapers published in Boston, and three times successively in the Norfolk Advertiser, a newspaper published in Dedham—said publication to be ninety days, at least, before the second day of January next, that all persons interested, may then appear, and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said Petition should not be granted.

Sent down for concurrence.

CHAS. CALHOUN, Clerk.

In the House of Representatives, April 19, 1838: Concurred.

L. S. CUSHING, Clerk.

A true copy—Attest:

CHAS. CALHOUN, Clerk of the Senate.