

# RESOLUTIONS.

## CHAPTER I.

**RESOLVED**, *by the Senate and House of Representatives of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met,* That the secretary of the commonwealth, be and he is hereby directed to furnish each member of the present legislature, (who have not already received the same) with one full set of Smith's edition of the **Laws of Pennsylvania**, and with one copy of the **Pamphlet Laws**, passed at the last session of the legislature.

**ROBERT SMITH**, *Speaker of the house of Representatives.*

**P. C. LANE**, *Speaker of the Senate.*

**APPROVED**—the twentieth day of **December**, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen.

**SIMON SNYDER.**

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## CHAPTER II.

**CONSIDERING** that some of the gallant defenders of our country, who have been captured in honourable combat with the enemy, have been seized as traitors, and thrown into prison, perhaps to languish out a painful existence of privation and disease, or to receive judgment and sentence from a tribunal where power shall take the place of justice and vengeance usurp the seat of reason—**WE** the Senate and house of **Representatives** of the commonwealth of **Pennsylvania** do adopt the following resolutions.

**RESOLVED**, that we view with high approbation the decisive spirit and firmness which the national authorities have manifested in securing hostages for the safety of those defenders of the republic, who are threatened with the penalties of treason against Great Britain. And while we are deeply anxious, that a sanguinary result may be averted, and that the calamities of the war may be unembittered by unnecessary bloodshed or cruelty, we are, nevertheless prepared under all circumstances to support our government in every measure of just retaliation, to which it may be driven by the violence of the enemy.

**RESOLVED**, that the governor be requested to communi-