

Whereas I having been Suspected to be unfriendly and inimical to the just rights & Liberties of America & the Constitution of the Province, Being sensible that by some imprudent Conversation & Conduct I have Justly Caused Such Suspicious, & more Especially in my Selling a horse on the way from Acton to Charlestown ferry, but a Day or 2 before the late Hostilities Commenced at Concord, & Also my Conversation with Katherine wife of Jonathan Adams Esq. Relating to the Negro Plan for killing women Children &c, And being sensible of my Imprudence therein. Do freely Say, That with Regard to Selling a horse I Sincerely Declare that I had no thought nor intention any way, whatsoever to Assist & Enable the British forces then at Boston to march into the Country, Neither did I think any thing but that the said horse was to have been sent Directly to Sherfields. But as it is Strongly Suspected the said horse was made use of in the said Hostilities, I am sorry I sold a horse as I did, And with Regard to my Conversation with Mr. Adams Relative to the Negro plan Above said, Altho I had no unfriendly intention, yet I Acknowledge the said Conversation & Answers then made to Mr. Adams Justly Aggravated the Suspicious Above said, And that thereby I manifested, An unfriendly inhumane Disposition, for which unadvised Conduct I Ask the forgiveness of my neighbours & Acquaintance & of neighbour Adams, & wife in Particular

Eliza Adams

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Esq. Adams