

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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THE LEGISLATURE,

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STATE OF MAINE,

DURING ITS SESSION

**A. D. 1838.**

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# EIGHTEENTH LEGISLATURE.

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No. 15.

HOUSE.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

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**RESOLVES** in favor of certain Commissioned officers, and others, of the Revolutionary War, and the Widows of such persons.

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*Resolved,* That each Commissioned officer of 2 the Revolutionary Army, who actually served not 3 less than three years in said Army, and who, at 4 the commencement of such service, was an inhab- 5 itant of Massachusetts Proper, or of the District 6 of Maine, and is now an inhabitant of this State, 7 and who has not already received a grant of land, 8 or money in lieu thereof, from the Commonwealth 9 of Massachusetts, and each widow of such officer, 10 who at the time of his disease, was an inhabitant 11 of this State, shall be entitled to receive six hun- 12 dred acres of land, to be selected from Letter 13 in the second Range of Townships, West of the 14 East line of the State, in the County of Washing- 15 ton.—And each officer, who was honorably dis- 16 charged before the expiration of three years from 17 the time of his entering the service in consequence

18 of wounds received in the service, or other bodily  
19 infirmity, and each widow of such officer, and  
20 the widow of each officer, who died in the service  
21 within three years from the time of his entering in  
22 the same, shall, if in all other respects coming  
23 within the provisions of this Resolve, be entitled  
24 to receive a like grant of land to be selected as  
25 aforesaid.

*Resolved,* That the Land Agent is hereby au-  
2 thorised and directed to cause the said Township,  
3 as soon as may be, to be surveyed and laid out into  
4 convenient lots of six hundred acres each ; and to  
5 execute a conveyance of one lot to every officer and  
6 widow aforesaid, who shall from his or her claims  
7 to the satisfaction of the Land Agent on or before  
8 the fourth day of March, in the year of our Lord  
9 one thousand eight hundred and forty. And every  
10 such officer or widow, who shall establish his or  
11 her claim as aforesaid before the survey of the land  
12 shall be completed, shall be entitled to receive  
13 from the Land Agent a certificate stating that he or  
14 she is entitled to six hundred acres of land under  
15 the provisions of these Resolves, which certificate  
16 shall be conclusive evidence to entitle the lawful  
17 holder thereof to a conveyance in fee simple of one  
18 of the six hundred acre lots aforesaid, whenever  
19 er said land shall be surveyed and laid out as  
20 herein provided. And it shall be the duty of the

21 Land Agent to number said lots, to be surveyed  
 22 and laid out as aforesaid, from number one up-  
 23 wards, and place the numbers in a box to be kept  
 24 for that purpose, and each person, who shall be  
 25 entitled to a lot under the provisions of these Re-  
 26 solves shall, in person or by Agent, draw one  
 27 number therefrom, which shall represent the lot to  
 28 which such person may be entitled.

*Resolved,* That the Land Agent is hereby au-  
 2 thorised to procure at the expense of the State,  
 3 from the Land Agent and Secretary of the Com-  
 4 monwealth of Massachusetts, and from the Pen-  
 5 sion Office at Washington, certified copies of all  
 6 such documents and records as he may deem ne-  
 7 cessary or useful in carrying into effect the provis-  
 8 ions of these Resolves. And it shall be his duty  
 9 to keep correct plans of all surveys, which shall  
 10 be made as aforesaid, and to mark upon each lot  
 11 the name of the person who shall draw the same,  
 12 and also to keep a record of the names and places  
 13 of abode of and such other material circumstances  
 14 relating to the several claimants as may be deemed  
 15 necessary to obviate all disputes respecting the  
 16 justice of their claims.

*Resolved,* That every officer and widow, who  
 2 become the owner of land under the provisions of  
 3 these Resolves, shall hold the same exempt from  
 4 attachment on mesne process or Execution.

**STATE OF MAINE.**



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }  
Feb. 21, 1838. }

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GEO. C. GETCHELL, Clerk.