

TO all People to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting.

Know Ye, That *Ephraim Tapp of Mendon in the County of Worcester Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England Yeoman*

For and in Consideration of the Sum of *Two hundred & Sixty four pound lawful Money* to me in Hand before the Enfealing hereof, well and truly, paid by *Solomon Smith of Providence in the County of Providence Colony of Rhode Island in Providence* the Receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge, and myself therewith fully satisfied and contented; and thereof, and of every Part and Parcel thereof, do exonerate, acquit and discharge him the said *Solomon Smith* his

Heirs, Executors and Administrators, forever by these Presents: HAVE given, granted, bargained, sold, aliened, conveyed and confirmed; and by these Presents, Do freely, fully and absolutely give, grant, bargain, sell, alienate, convey and confirm, unto him the said *Solomon Smith* his

Heirs and Assigns forever, *a certain Tract or parcel of land situated & being in Mendon aforesaid containing by Estimation Sixty Acres of land & is bounded as followeth Southly on land of Turner Ellis & Westly Partly on land of Nathan Thish & part on land of Comfort Thish & is bounded Northly part on land of James Thish & part on land of George Aldrich & is bounded Easterly partly on land of said George Aldrich & part on land of Nathan Aldrich, Thomas's Ellis's land & with all the Priviledges allowed to the Town of Mendon in the Division of the land of David Tapp Decar. as by the Certificates Return of said land may appear Except what land the grantor sold to Nathan Aldrich & George Aldrich which is Not Included in this Deed*

To have and to hold the said granted and bargained Premises, with all the Appurtenances, Priviledges and Commodities to the same belonging, or in any wise appertaining, to him the said *Solomon Smith* his Heirs and Assigns forever. To him and his only proper Use, Benefit and Behoof forever. And I the said *Ephraim Tapp for myself* for Heirs, Executors and Administrators, do Covenant, Promise and Grant to and with him the said *Solomon Smith* his

Heirs and Assigns, that before the Enfealing hereof, I am the true, sole and lawful Owner of the above-bargained Premises, and stand lawfully seized and possessed of the same in my own proper Right, as a good, perfect and absolute Estate of Inheritance in Fee Simple: And have in myself good Right, full Power and lawful Authority, to grant, bargain, sell, convey and confirm said bargained Premises in Manner as aforesaid: And that the said *Solomon Smith* his Heirs and Assigns, shall and may from Time to Time, and at all Times forever hereafter, by Force and Virtue of these Presents, lawfully, peaceably and quietly Have, Hold, Use, Occupy, Possess and Enjoy the said demised and bargained Premises, with the Appurtenances, free and clear, and freely and clearly acquitted, exonerated and discharged of, from all and all Manner of former or other Gifts, Grants, Bargains, Sales, Leases, Mortgages, Wills, Entails, Jointures, Dowries, Judgments, Executions, or Incumbrances of what Name or Nature soever, that might in any Measure or Degree obstruct or make Void this present Deed.

Furthermore, We the said *Ephraim Tapp & Hannah Tapp his Wife* for our selves our Heirs, Executors and Administrators, do Covenant and Engage the above-demised Premises to him the said *Solomon Smith* his Heirs and Assigns, against the lawful Claims or Demands of any Person or Persons whatsoever, forever hereafter to Warrant, Secure and Defend by these Presents. In Witness Whereof We the said *Ephraim Tapp & his Wife Hannah* Have here unto set our hands & seals this *Sixteenth Day of Novemb* in the *fourteenth Year* of his Majesty's *King Anno Domini One thousand seven hundred & seventy three* Signed Sealed & Delivered in presence of us *Nathan Aldrich* *Ephraim Tapp Seal* *Hannah Tapp Seal* *John Aldrich* *Worcester Decem 8. 1773* The within Named *Ephraim Tapp & Hannah Tapp* Personally appeared & freely acknowledged the within Written Instrument to be their Act & Deed before me *Jos. Torr Just. of Peace* *Recd Decem 9 1773 & Accordingly Subd & Exd by Mr. Parker Secy*