

*Merriam Wm To Increase Thayer*

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**TO all People to whom these Presents**

shall come,

Greeting.

**K** NOW Ye, That *William Merriam of Mendon in the County of Worcester and Commonwealth of Massachusetts Gentleman*

For and in Consideration of the Sum of *Twenty five Pounds* to me in Hand before the Ensealing hereof, well and truly paid by *Increase Thayer of Mendon aforesaid Gentleman*

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 *Increase Thayer 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, aliene, convey, and confirm unto *him* the said *Increase Thayer and to his* Heirs and Assigns forever,

*a tract or parcel of Land Situate lying and being in Mendon aforesaid containing by Estimation ten acres be the same more or less it left it being the whole that was set off to me on my Right in the real Estate of Mr. Edmund Morse Late of said Mendon Deceased lying on both Sides of the Providence road (so called) being bounded and bounded in all parts agreeable to the Division to return of the estate of the said Deceased as Duoraid in the Probate office in the said County reference thereto being had*

To HAVE and to HOLD the said granted and bargained Premises, with all the Appurtenances, Privileges and Commodities to the same belonging, or in any wise appertaining to *him* the said *Increase Thayer and to his* Heirs and Assigns forever. To *him* and *his* only

proper Use, Benefit and Behoof forever. And I the said *William Merriam* for myself my Heirs, Executors, and Administrators, do Covenant, Promise and Grant to and with *him* the said *Increase Thayer and his*

Heirs and Assigns, that before the Ensealing hereof, I am the true sole and lawful Owner of the above bargained Premises, and am 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* *Increase Thayer 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, *the said William Merriam*

for myself my Heirs, Executors and Administrators, do Covenant and Engage the above demised Premises to *him* the said *Increase Thayer and to 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 I have hereunto set my hand and seal*

*This twenty six day of March Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred Eighty three and in the seventh year of American Independence* *William Merriam*

Signed sealed & delivered in presence of us - *Edmund Merriam* *William Thayer*

*Worcester* March 29<sup>th</sup> 1703 A the within named *William Merriam* personally appeared and acknowledged the within written instrument to be his act & deed Before me *Joseph Dorr Jun* Justice of Peace

*Dec. May 13 1703* *Examined & Examined*

*Wm Dorr Jun*