Memorial for the Mohegan Indians Humbly offerd to the Governour and Aſsembly of Connecticutt May 26th. 1758. ------

For Several years past we have Suffer’d much by some of our Tenants, on Account of their bad fences, our Tribe now beings To taste the Sweets of Agreculture & our Stockes increase but As there is Devison Subsisting amongst us, Numbers has No regard to the Secham & his Council but does what is Right in their own Eyes, in order therefore to promote industry peace & order amongst us, we find it absolutely Necesary to have a Guardeen that has leasure time to Vifet us frequently & by his Advice Direction and Interposition promote the Valuable ends above Mention’d, We therefore pray the Aſsembly to appoint Pygan Adams Esq.’ or Co.’ Lee to be one of our Overseers in Room of M’ Richards whom we dont love, or at least Add one of the Gentlemen to the Number of our Overseers, we pray that our two good Overseers— Co.’ Huntington & Cap.’ Griswold may be Continued to us, As they are faithfull & Servicable, tho’ they are burried with publik busnefs that they cant give us that Attendance Our Affairs require, which is the reason for our aplying for one that has more Leasure time. This Tribe Earlie took up Arms Against their own Nation in Defence of the English & has ever Since continued firm & unshaken, & Constantly gone with the English to War, and many of us this Year has gone & more agoing therefore we pray we may be indulged in have ing one of these Gentlemen added to the Number of our Overseers, or put in the Room of M’ Richards, in hopes That this reasonable request Will be Granted as Your memorialists Shall ever pray &c.------

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Jacob Hofecort Jn’ mark
Benjamin Uncas
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Zachary Johnston mark
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Simon Coijoie mark
John Dantucquejan
Mofes Mazeen his
Jacob Hofecott mark

In the upper Houfe
M’ Pygan Addams of New London is appointed one of, and added to, those Gen. who now sustain the Truſt of Overfeers of the Mohegan Indians by the Direction of the Aſsembly of this Colony. And a proper Bill in fform is ordered to be bro’n in accordingly
Test George Wyllys Secret’y

Concurr’d in the Lower Houfe
Test Jz Huntington Clerk
This Tribe alfo has allow’d Kings high way throw their feilds they are ignorant what is allow’d as Dammages for the Same to private person’s. But as the Generall Court paft an act for said High ways thro our feilds, wee pray they would Consider, what they Judge needfull to allow this tribe for Dommage, and order either the Town or Country to pay what they Shall think Just, for wee think it resonable, wee Should be allowed the Same, as private persons are in leik Circumstances, This Signed by our Order & in our name by our Sechem

Benjamin Uncas

It is reported that the town of Norwich would given us a £100 00 £ for the High way if wee had not petition’d for it gratis

Petition the Mohegan Tribe
to the Assembly May 1758