To the Honorable the Legislature of the State of Texas —

The Memorial of Robert S Pattoe a citizen of Smith County in the State of Texas shews that he emigrated to Texas in the year 1835 — bringing with him considerable means — the war with Mexico broke out after his arrival here — ~~when he advanced the sum of two hundred~~

Your Memorialist shews that on the 19th day of December AD 1835 that he advanced the sum of Two hundred dollars to Wm C McKinney John Gragg and James E Hopkins to be appropriated to the service of the volunteers to be raised on Red River on their March to Head Quarters at San Antonio — That said sum of money was applied to the purpose for which the same was advanced as will be seen by reference to the receipts and affidavits accompanying this Memorial — Your Memorialist while the Country was poor never presented his claim — Since he advanced the money the Country has grown rich while your Memorialist has been growing poor — He respectfully prays an appropriation for the payment of his just claim & interest thereon and he will ever pray &c —

Robert S Pattoe