and Three Companies of Infantry well armed and deciplined & under the Command of Excellant Officers forming "the Elite" of the Texian Army who with the other brave troops composing the Army under the Command of Genl. Sam Houston aided by Divine providence finally defeated the Mexican Army at San Jacinto and led to the Capture of its Celebrated Leader, and the final expulsion of the Mexican forces from the territory of Texas.

From San Felipe the Army thus reinforced proceeded to Encampment near Groce's on the Brazos river where it underwent a thorough reorganization and I the said Forbes received the appointment of Commissary General with rank as Colonel dated Camp near Groce's 2nd April 1836 (Signed) Sam Houston Com in Chief

I refer to the Official Report of Genl. Sam Houston Com in Chief to the Secretary of War of the Battle of San Jacinto containing the names of the Officers and Men engaged in that Battle for my participation therein. a a printed Copy of said report will be found in Col Yoakum's History of Texas. as additional evidence I received My San Jacinto Donation and a Bounty Warrant No. 503 issued to me by Barnard E. Bee Secretary at War dated November 24th 1837. which Warrant having received a Patent therefor No. 870 Vol 6. Sept. 19. 1854 &c on file in the land Office at Austin and can be referred to

And I the said John Forbes under Oath maketh the following statement of the Capture of Genl. St. Anna and of his introduction to Genl. Houston. as follows.

Some two days after the Battle of San Jacinto and in the morning at early sunrise I was attending to some duties close by the guard fire where the Mexican prisoners were under guard I noticed two men approching me from the Prairie skirting Buffalo Bayou, as they came up to where I was standing. one of the men was a very youthful Soldier with his Gun on his shoulder belonging to Captain Baker's company I think his name was Joel Robertson. the other man was a Mexican in undress and unarmed. the young Soldier stated that as he was coming into Camp the Mexican threw himself in his way, and requested to be taken to Genl. Houston The Mexican then quickly addressed me in Spanish, which rendered into english meant, Sir Genl. Houston, intimating a desire to see the General and took from somewhere about his person, a Letter which he handed to me pressing his finger on its address, which read Don Lopez de Santa Anna &c I returned the letter to him and asked him if he was Genl. St. Anna he replied affirmatively and again repeated Sir Genl. Houston with emphasis. at that moment I was joined by Col. Geo W. Hockley whom I told who the prisoner was. and that we would take him before Genl. Houston at the same time we heard from the Mexican Prisoners at the Guard fire an exclamation of El Presidente! El Presidente! The Prisoner placed between Col Hockley and myself. our young Texian Soldier in the rear passed through Col. Burleson's Quarters at the head of which Genl. Houston's tent was pitched On our Arrival we found the Genl. outside of his tent stretched on a Mattrass at the foot of a large tree apparently out leep resting on his left side and his back towards us. we ranged up alongside and I put my hand on his arm to arouse him, he raised himself on his elbow and looked up the Prisoner immediately addressed him telling him who he was and surrendering himself to him a prisoner of War. Genl. Houston looked at him intensely but made no reply. turning to me requested me to proceed to the Guard fire and bring from thence before him, a young man who was reported to be the private Secretary of Santa Anna and who could talk english fluently. I did so, and my return found the Prisoner seated quietly in a chair beside the General, Mattrass. the young man on seeing the Prisoner assured General Houston that the Prisoner then before him was truly Genl. Santa Anna

General Houston wanting additional evidence sent me again to the guard fire to bring Genl. Almonte before him in bringing down Genl. Almonte, I met with Genl. Thos. J. Rusk and Lieut Zavalla to whom I mentioned what was taking place before Genl. Houston They accompanied me with Genl. Almonte to where Genl. Houston was. when the Prisoner was fully recognised and Identified

Throughout the whole General Santa Anna's demeanor was dignified and Soldierlike but a close Observer could trace a shade of sadness on his otherwise impassive Countenance