Department of State
Republic of Texas

I the undersigned Secretary of State in and for the Republic of Texas do hereby certify that James Collinsworth who administered the oathes to the officers M. H. Patton as stated within was at the time and still is chief Justice of this Republic with full power to administer oathes and that all of his official acts as such are entitled to full faith and credit

Given under my hand and seal of Office at the City of Houston this 22nd day of March 1842 and in

Sidney Sherdesson
Sec of State

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