To the Honourable the Speaker and Gentleman of the House of Delegates

The Petition of the unfortunate Mary Webley late a Resident of the Borough of Norfolk humbly Sheweth.

That your Petitioner on New Year's Day last, while suckling her Child the youngest of three now dependent on her, had her Leg broken By a cannon Ball from the Liverpool Man-of-war.

That her Husband from the Loss of his right arm upwards of twenty years since is scarcely able to maintain himself.

That she hath at present no ways or means to procure shelter or acquire subsistence for herself and miserable little Children, her Husband and Self having had all their effects totally destroyed in the Flames of Norfolk from whence they have been drove in most distressful Circumstances.

Therefore prays this Hon. House will on consideration of the Premises grant unto her such Aid and Relief as in there to Justice and mercy shall seem right. And your Petitioner &c &c &c

[Reverse]

Mary Webley
October 11, 1776
referred to Mr. Curte
    Wilson
    Starke
    Robinson
    Thoroughgood