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Gentlemen, My knowledge of your sensibility & humane
 dispositions emboldens me to request, & to hope for a favour
 from you — Last November I took out a Tavern-
 License to try if I cou'd make any thing to assist my
 personal labour in maintaining a numerous & helpless
 family — My stock being small it took all I cou'd
 raise to provide some necessaries to carry on the business.
 With difficulty I have got over the winter, & have a
 prospect of making something now — Mr. Travers
 informs me that by your Orders it is out of his power
 to grant me any longer time to pay the Tax on my
 License which if I must pay now will really distress
 me & injure my business; I therefore beg your ^{favorable} consideration
 of the premises — As the want of five
 Pounds, for a short time longer is of so small moment
 to the public, and wou'd be so hurtful to an unfortunate
 family. I hope you will grant me about two Months
 longer indulgence; by which time I trust to be able to
 pay without feeling it so sensibly — Your granting
 this request, & certifying Mr. Travers of the same
 will be an Obligation that shall ever be remembered with
 gratitude, by

Gentlemen, Your Most Obedt. & Devoted
 Servt.
 Hugh Craskley
 To the Special Commissioners
 of Baltimore Town
 May 2nd 1791