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Oaklands August 12th 1812

Sir

Herewith I have the honour to inclose a return of the officers non-commissioned officers & privates under my command, who have volunteered their services to the Executive of this State as a part of the quota.

Permit me to request that you will do me the favour to make my acknowledgements to his Excellency the Commander in chief for the honour conferred on myself and Squadron by his acceptance of our Services - and assure him, that we will, should an occasion offer endeavour to prove, that the Blood of our ancestors remains pure and unsullied in our veins. and that we are ready and willing to make any sacrifice to repel foreign aggression, and to preserve the honour & dignity of our Country. -

With respect

I am Sir

Yr Mo obt Sr

Chas Sterett Ridgely

Lt Col L. Duvall.

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