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To His Excellency Robert Eden Esq Governor & Commander in chief in and over the Province of Maryland

May it please your Excellency

William Vermillion was tried at Frederick County Novembr Court and Convicted of Horse stealing; As there are circumstances to induce us to believe he may be innocent, & his Father & family have been irreproachable characters, and are generally esteemed in the Neighbourhood, as appeared by the testimony of many reputable Gentlemen of the Neighbourhood, & is known to many of us. We therefore in compassion to the distress of his Parents Humbly recommend him to your Excellency's Clemency, if we flatter ourselves it may reclaim the Young Man who is only twenty four years of age, and that he may hereafter become a Valuable member of the Society

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