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In Congress Jan.y 14th 1777.

Whereas the Continental Money ought to be supported at the full Value expressed in the respective Bills, by the Inhabitants of these States for whose Benefit they were issued, and who stand bound to redeem the same according to the like Value, and the pernicious Artifices of the Enemies of American Liberty to impair the Credit of the said Bills by raising the nominal Value of Gold and Silver, or any other Species of Money whatsoever, ought to be guarded agt. and prevented.

Resolved, That all Bills of Credit emitted by Authority of Congress ought to pass current in all Payments, Trade, and Dealings in these States, and be deemed in Value equal to the same nominal Sum in Spanish milled Dollars, and that whosoever shall offer, ask, or receive, more in the said Bills for any Gold or Silver Coins, Bullion or any other Species of Money whatsoever than the nominal Sum or Amount thereof in Spanish Milled Dollars, or more in the said Bills for any Lands, Houses, Goods, or Commodities whatsoever than the same could be purchased at of the same Person or Persons in Gold or Silver or any other Species of Money whatsoever; or shall offer to sell any Goods or Commodities for Gold or Silver Coins or any other Species of Money whatsoever, and refuse to sell the same for the said Continental Bills, every such Person ought to be deemed an Enemy to the Liberties of these United States, and to forfeit the Value of the Money

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