Dear Sir

Frederick Town 1mo 28. 1780

76 It is represented here that the General Assembly are about to supply a considerable Number of regular Troops immediately, by filling up the old Regiments, and raising an additional Regiment, and it is expected that the Appointment of Officers may be with yourself and the Council - Under this Impression permit me to recommend to your Attention Mr Moms Joy Baily a Gentleman of my Acquaintance, who is standably desirous of joining the Army at this time - Mr Baily served in the continental Army in the quota of this State for a considerable time in the Rank of a Captain, and resigned (on Account of his Marriage) when the Army was respectable for its Power, after having, I believe, deservedly acquired the Reputation of a brave Officer and good Disciplinarian. Had other Reasons induced him to resign than the one assigned, or had it been at a time when American Affairs were a less favorable Aspect I have no doubt but it would have its due Weight with you against him; but when his Inducement for Resignation is considered, and his present Application, when no other motive can influence him than a determination to serve his Country, I hope he will appear deserving and meet the public Notice. From a Belief that this Gentleman will be useful in the Army, I have taken the Liberty to mention him

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