To the right Honble one of his Ma:ties principle Secretaries of State  
at White Hall this p'nt

From ye Colony of Connecticutt 
ab'ye Kings Province  

Right Honble according to his Ma:ties pleasure Manafested to us In his Gracious Letters of february the 
12th. 1678/9 we Impowred & sent an agent to appeare in our behalfe before his Ma:tie to 
present our humble addresse unto his Ma:tie as allfo to lay before his Ma:tie what we have 
to say in reference to o' claime, both as to soile & goverment, of the Narrogancett Country 
& our reaons why it doth belong to this his Ma:ties Colony of Connecticutt, But through the 
holly providence of God (we lately have heard) that our agent Sometime in January 
Last was taken by the Turkes, & our enterprize thereby quite over Throwne & frus= 
=trated, which occaions us to give your Honor this trouble, & to requet that you 
will be pleafed In our behalfe to acquaint his Ma:tie with our humble submi 
& ready complianse with his Ma:ties Commands (as before) signified unto us, & with 
what frustration we have mett with, & humbly to befeech his Ma:tie to continue 
the shines of his favoure upon this his poore colony of connecticutt, & that we may 
enjoy thofe rights & priviledges his Ma:tie of his abundant Grace hath been pleafed 
by charter to Grant unto us, & that we may not be abufed, nor Intruded upon by 
Any whatsoever, But under his Ma:ties Shaddow, we may sit under our own Vine & 
fig Trees without molestation, for we know some unneighbourly Intruders (who 
cannot be contended with their owne) who are coveting that which they know to 
be the Juft rights of others, who as they have been, Soe may be endeavouring 
to give us more trouble & Interuption upon ungrounded pretentions which they 
make to meer seeming right, But we ref in his Ma:ties wifdome & Justice, & doubt 
not but we shall be preferved in the Injoyment of our Juft rights, we had thoughts 
of makeing another eftay by an agent to appeare before his Ma:tie but the great 
Lofs & charges we have mett with all by the late Indian warr (which we have not 
yet out grown) & the charge we doe expect to be at towards the redeeming of 
our agent, with the lofs we have reced: in o' corn by blasts & mill dues, Thofe doe 
knock of our hopes, or abillity to doe it. & therefore right Honble we beseech 
your favoure to reprefent us to his Ma:tie as his poore yet loyall & obedient 
subjects afureing him that we doe endeavour with loyalty to manage the 
Goverment of the people here under his Ma:ties Command, so that the Glory, 
of God may be promoved, & his Ma:ties Crown & dignitie farther advanced, together 
with the pub: weale of his faythfull and Loyall subjects here. 
S' we doe send you herewith (for your Honors better Information) some Coppys 
of what we sent by our agent requefting your Improvement of them 
for our advantage./ 
you may allfo be pleafe to take notice that Edward Randolph Esqr hath 
given this his Ma:ties Colony a vilfit, In order to the settleing of affayres in 
refference to the acts for the promotion of Navigation & Trade, & hath been 
suitably Treated by us./ 
Honble S' we would willingly crave the Boldnefs to give you this trouble allfo 
one againe to requet your favoure in promoateing our Interest before
his Ma.\textsuperscript{tie} to beg thay he may continue his Good affection to us, & that we may be continued in the Injoyment of o’ charter priviledges & Limitts, & that o’ Neighbours of Rhode Island (what their qualification are we forbeare to declare) by his Ma.\textsuperscript{tie} Letter they may be prohibited from giveing us farther trouble or Interuption in our management of the Governmet according to our Charter, Hon.\textsuperscript{ble} S’ your favour herein (we truſt) wilbe a service acceptable to God, & unſpeakeably oblige both this people & o’ selves to be & continue Right Hon.\textsuperscript{ble} your moſt Humble servants the Governoř, & councill of his Ma.\textsuperscript{tie}s colony of Conecticutt

William Leete Governoř

Hartford July 15, 1680: p their order signed John Allyn Secret’y