

THE CONGRESS OF THE COLONY OF THE
MASSACHUSETTS-BAY.

To *Charles Cushing Gentleman*

GREETING.

WE, reposing especial Trust and Confidence in your Courage and good Conduct,
Do, by these Presents, constitute and appoint you the said *Charles Cushing*
to be *Lieutenant of the*
Regiment of Foot *Whose William Heath Esq is Colo!* raised by the Congress
aforesaid, for the Defence of said Colony.

You are, therefore, carefully and diligently to discharge the Duty of a *Lieutenant*
in leading, ordering, and exercising the said *Company* in Arms, both inferior Officers
and Soldiers, and to keep them in good Order and Discipline; and they are hereby
commanded to obey you as their *Lieutenant*, and you are yourself to observe and
follow such Orders and Instructions as you shall, from Time to Time, receive from the
General and Commander in Chief of the Forces raised in the Colony aforesaid, for the
Defence of the same, or any other your superior Officers, according to military Rules and
Discipline in War, in Pursuance of the Trust reposed in you.

By Order of the Congress,

Samuel Freeman the 19th of May *John Warren*
A. D. 1775.

Secretary P. T.

President P. T.