To ye hon:ble Governor & Councill of ye Massachusetts Colloney

The humble Petition of ye Inhabitants of Sudbury

Sheweth

That by reason of ye approach of ye Enemy neare Our Towne made apparent by a late fireing neare vs. & constant smoakes every day about vs. fearing least ye Enemy might suddenly surprize vs as it hath bin their Custome in other places. Humbly Crave for ye prevention thereof that it would please this hon:ble Councill (with what convenient speede may be) to afford unto vs twenty able & sufficient men upon ye Countrys account to be under ye Conduct & Commands of [illegible] Ephraim Curtice to be as a Scout to range ye Woods about our towne, & to be in a readinesse upon any Occasion if ye Enemy should set upon Our Towne And we shall adde unto ye said Scout out of Our Towne Soemany men more although we can hardly spare them and secure Our Garrisons.

And ye poore Petitioners shall for Ever hold themselves Oblidged to this hon:ble Councill.

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Peter Noyes
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Joseph Noyes
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