

**Virginia Assembly and Merchants-Citizens, June 22, 1770, Six Petitions for Non-importation of British Goods, The Writings of George Washington from the Original Manuscript Sources, 1745-1799. John C. Fitzpatrick, Editor.**

**NON-IMPORTATION AGREEMENT**

[June 22, 1770.]

\*The Subscribers, Inhabitants of the County of Fairfax in the Colony of Virginia, having duly considered the above Agreement and Association and being well convinced of the Utility and real necessity of the Measures therein recommended to the Publick attention (at this alarming and critical juncture), do sincerely and cordially accede thereto; And do hereby voluntarily and faithfully each and every Person for himself upon his Word and honour Agree and promise that he will strictly and firmly adhere to and abide by every

Article and Resolution therein contained according to the true Intent and meaning thereof.<sup>1</sup>

1his addition, in Washington's handwriting, is entered on the half dozen nonimportation agreements entered into by the burgesses and merchants of Williamsburg, Va., June 22, 1770, printed copies of which Washington circulated throughout Fairfax County to obtain signatures thereto. 1he surviving copies, in the Washington Papers, bear different signatures. Washington was a justice of the peace for Fairfax County in 1770. (See Virginia, Calendar of State Papers, vol. 1, p. 263.)