Dover June 13th 1781

Hon. Sir,

Information of my appointment as a Delegate to Congress did not reach me until a considerable time after the rising of the General Court.

My Father’s then confinement to his Bed, prevented me from signifying my acceptance of the Trust; and, the hope of doing it, has since vanished with his decease. — The circumstances of his family and affairs do now require my utmost attention — and, consequently (for the present) deny the gratification of a desire I ever entertained, — of serving the United States in general, The State of New Hampshire in particular; to which, I am very highly indebted for the honors already conferred. — I have the honor of being Sir,

with Respect your most Obd. very humble Servt.

John Wentworth

Hon. & President Weeks
From J. Wentworth Esq., of the 18th June 1781.
New appointment of ap- pointment of Delegate
Revd 13 June 1781.