

State of N^ew York } In Committee of Safety Aug^r. 26th 1777 (44) ²⁶

Sir The Committee received yours of the 18th Instant with the greatest Pleasure, and have directed me to Present their very sincere Thanks to you, the Officers & Soldiers under your command, for the Brave and Spirited Conduct in the late Battle, and for the very Essential Service done the Country at this ^{critical} juncture. I hope Sir that the late Success, may be a prelude, to ^{greater things} ~~some~~ of the same kind, and that Heaven ^{will not bestow} ~~has bestowed~~ many Blessings, to our Country through your hands, Perseverently praying that the God of Armies may Protect you in the day of Battle, be a shield & Buckler to our brave Countrymen under your Command, and that he may give success & Victory to all your undertakings. I do in behalf of the Committee subscribe myself your most Obed^t & very Humble Serv^t

Genl. Stark

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26 Aug 1777

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