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An Act to ſettle and ſecure an Annuity on Lord *Walſingham*, in conſideration of his Services as Chairman of the Committees of the Houſe of Lords. [23d *March* 1815.]

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

WHEREAS His Royal Highneſs the Prince Regent, acting in the Name and on the Behalf of Your Majeſty, by His moſt Gracious Meſſage to Your Majeſty's faithful Commons, hath been pleaſed to declare, that having taken into His ſerious Conſideration the Ability, Integrity, Impartiality, and indefatigable Induſtry, with which the Lord *Walſingham* has diſcharged the weighty and important Duties of Chairman of the Committees of the Houſe of Lords, and of the Private Committees of the ſame, for theſe Twenty Years laſt paſt, and regretting the Misfortune of his Lordſhip's Inability from Infirmity any longer to execute the Duties of that important Office, recommended to Your faithful Commons to conſider of a proper Method of enabling Your Majeſty to grant to the Lord *Walſingham* an Annuity of Two thouſand Pounds: Now we Your Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom in Parliament aſſembled, duly conſidering Your Majeſty's moſt Gracious Intention, do moſt humbly beſeech Your Majeſty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty, by and with the Advice and Conſent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this preſent Par-

Annuity of 2000l. to Lord Walſingham.

liament aſſembled, and by the Authority of the ſame, That one Annuity or yearly Rent or Sum of Two thouſand Pounds of lawful Money of *Great Britain* ſhall be iſſuing and payable out of and charged and chargeable upon the Conſolidated Fund of *Great Britain* (after paying or reſerving ſufficient to pay all ſuch Sum and Sums of Money as have been directed by any former Act or Acts of Parliament to be paid out of the ſame, but with Preference to all other Payments which ſhall or may hereafter be charged upon or payable out of the ſaid Fund), and the ſame ſhall from Time to Time be paid Quarterly, free and clear of all Taxes and Deductions whatſoever, to the ſaid Lord *Walſingham*, for and during his natural Life; which ſaid Annuity or yearly Rent or Sum ſhall commence and take effect from the Tenth Day of *October* One thouſand eight hundred and fourteen; the Firſt Payment to be computed from the ſaid Tenth Day of *October* One thouſand eight hundred and fourteen, until the Fifth Day of *January* One thouſand eight hundred and fifteen, and from thenceforth ſhall be paid and payable at the Four uſual Days of Payment in the Year; that is to ſay, the Fifth Day of *April*, the Fifth Day of *July*, the Tenth Day of *October*, and the Fifth Day of *January*, in each and every Year, by even and equal Portions.

Warrants to be iſſued by the Treaſury for the Payment.

II. And it is hereby further enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the Commiſſioners of His Majeſty's Treaſury now being, and the High Treaſurer and Under Treaſurer of the Exchequer, and Commiſſioners of the Treaſury for the Time being, and they are hereby authorized and required, by Warrant under their Hands, to direct the Auditor of the Receipt of the Exchequer now and for the Time being to make forth and paſs Debentures from Time to Time, for paying the ſaid Annuity or yearly Rent or Sum of Two thouſand Pounds in Manner as aforeſaid, and as the ſame ſhall from Time to Time become due and payable, without any Fees or Charges to be demanded or taken for paying the ſame or any Part thereof; which ſaid Warrant, and the Debentures to be made forth and paſſed thereupon, ſhall be a ſufficient Authority to the ſeveral and reſpective Officers of the Receipt of the Exchequer now and for the Time being, for the Payment of the ſaid Annuity or yearly Rent or Sum to the ſaid Lord *Walſingham* at the reſpective quarterly Feaſt Days in this Act before appointed for Payment thereof, without any further or other Warrant to be ſued for, had, or obtained in that Behalf.

Not to be revocable.

III. And it is hereby further enacted, That after ſigning of ſuch Warrant the ſame ſhall be good, valid, and effectual in Law according to the Purport and true Meaning thereof and of this Act, and ſhall not be determinable or revocable by or upon the Demiſe of His Majeſty, (whom God long preſerve), or of any of His Heirs or Succeſſors, or by or upon the Death or Removal of any of the ſaid Commiſſioners of the Treaſury, or the Lord High Treaſurer, or by or upon the Determination of the Power, Office or Offices of them, or any of them.

No Fees to be charged.

IV. And be it further enacted, That the Commiſſioners of the Treaſury now being, and the High Treaſurer of the Treaſury for the Time being, Chancellor and Under Treaſurer, Chamberlains and Barons of the Exchequer, and all other the Officers and Miniſters of the Court of Exchequer and of the Receipt thereof, now and for the Time being, ſhall, and they are hereby authorized and ſtrictly enjoined and required to do without Fee

or Reward all ſuch Acts, Matters, and Things as are herein-before directed and required, or ſhall be neceſſary to be done and performed by them, or any or either of them, in order to render this Act and the ſeveral Payments hereby directed effectual.

V. And be it enacted, That the Acquittance or Acquittances, Receipt or Receipts of the ſaid Lord *Walſingham* ſhall be a good and ſufficient Diſcharge for the Payment of the ſaid Annuity or yearly Sum, without any further or other Warrant to be ſued for or obtained in that Behalf; and that the ſaid Annuity or yearly Rent or Sum, and every Part thereof, ſhall be free and clear from all Taxes, Impoſitions, and other Charges whatſoever; and in caſe any of the Officers of the Receipt of His Majeſty's Exchequer ſhall refuſe or neglect to pay the ſaid Annuity or yearly Rent or Sum, or any Part thereof, according to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act, or to do any Act neceſſary to enable the ſaid Lord *Walſingham* to receive the ſame, then the ſaid Lord *Walſingham* may from Time to Time ſue, proſecute, and implead ſuch Officers, or any of them, their Heirs, Executors, or Adminiſtrators, by Bill, Plaint, or Action of Debt, and ſhall and may recover Judgement, and ſue out Executions thereupon, againſt ſuch Officers reſpectively, their Heirs, Executors, or Adminiſtrators, for ſo much of ſuch Sum or Sums of Money then due and owing upon the ſaid Annuity, yearly Rent or Sum, or any Part thereof, as ſhall have been in the Hands of the Officer or Officers of the Receipt of the Exchequer at the Time or Times when Demands ſhall have been legally made of the Payment of the ſaid Annuity, yearly Rent or Sum, or any Part thereof as aforeſaid, or for the Refuſal or Neglect to do any Act neceſſary to be done by ſuch Officer or Officers reſpectively.

Acquittances of Lord Walſingham ſufficient Diſcharge for the Payment.

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