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Thomas Reynolds, 1840-1844

[Full-text transcription of: Letter from Citizens of Jackson County to Governor Reynolds, Jefferson City, Mo.]

Independence Mo. 13 May 1842

His Excellency

Governor Reynolds

Dear Sir

At a meeting

of the Citizens of Jackson County held at the Court House in the Town of Independence on the 12th inst. to take into consideration the best Means of ascertaining and bringing to Justice the person Who attempted to assassinate Gov. L. W. Boggs. the undersigned Were appointed in Committee to inform your Excellency of the occurrence and to request that an appropriate reward be offered on behalf of the State for the discovery of the fellow.

Enclosed are the

Resolutions passed at said Meeting,

Gov. Boggs is

Yet living but Will in all probability survive but a Short time. No Shadow of suspicion rests upon any one. And our community yet remain in painful ignorance of their greatest foe. The undersigned therefore Would Most respectfully suggest that a sufficient reward be offered and such assurances of protection to the informer be given, as might induce disclosure.

Most Respectfully

Your Fellow Citizens.

Saml D. Lucas

Stuart H. Woodson

Wilson Roberts

Lewis Jones

Lemuel Weston

John King

Smallwood Nolund

Thomas Wellercer

John ParKer

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