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Don Bernardo De Galvez, pensioned Knight of the Royal & Distinguished Order of Charles III, Lieutenant General of the Royal Armies, Governor and Captain General Superintendent and Inspector of the Provinces of Louisiana and West Florida, and General Commandant of the Army of operations in America:

I certify that Don Pedro Rousseau, Captain of Militia of the Province of Louisiana, has served his Majesty since the beginning of the war, when he was commissioned as second in command of a Frigate, in order to attack in the Lake Pontchartrain, the boat belonging to the British, named West Florida, which was captured, in which action he was seriously wounded twice with a lance, showing in the said action, the unquestioned courage that he possesses; later he was entrusted with the command of the Frigate Galveston in which he has served conquering Mobile, Pensacola, he having transported me when I forced entrance into those ports; he has also discharged to my entire satisfaction, various commissions, considered very important on his Majesties service, which I previously entrusted him with, showing evidence in all of them, his courage, good behavior and love towards the King, to whom he serves, and with the purpose that he may be able to prove all this whenever required, I issue this, at his request, in Guarico on April 29, 1802.

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Don Bernardo de Galvez

Don Gilberto Leonard and Don Manuel Armieres, officials of the Royal Treasury, acting accountant and Treasurer of the General Treasury of the Province of Louisiana.

We hereby certify that the precedent document conforms and is a true copy of the original, produced by Don Pedro Rousseau, Lieutenant Colonel of the Royal Armies, to whom it was returned, and as evidence we issue these presents, in the city of New Orleans on Dec. 8th, 1803.

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Gilberto Leonard
Manuel Armires