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Don Bernardo de Galvez, Count de Galvez, Knight of Royal and Distinguished Order of Charles III, Commander of Bolanos in Calatrava, Lieutenant General of the Royal Armies, inspector General of the troops in America, Governor and Captain General of the Provinces of Louisiana and the two Floridas, by commission acting as such Governor of the isle of Cuba and city of St. Christobal of Havana, Judge and Protector of the Province of Tabasco, and of the Maritime and Land mails, as well as of the Royal Company, etc.

I hereby certify that the Captain of the Royal Army, at this time Captain of the Frigate, Galveston³⁰³ⁿ, for His Majesty, Don Pedro Rousseau, served from the beginning of the last war as second in command of the corsair ^{Morris} ~~Maria~~ "Morris" in which he went to Lake Pontchartrain in order to attack the boat belonging to the English, named West Florida, which was boarded and captured by it, in which action he received two serious wounds, by lance, that he was afterwards commissioned by me to take command of the frigate Galveston, in which he was under my command, during the expeditions made to Mobile and Pensacola, transporting me in his boat when I forced entrance of Pensacola, and that being familiar with his courage, prudence and zeal for the good of the service, I then learned of his operations, therefore, I afterwards intrusted various commissions to his care, important to His Majesty, for which faithful service he has earned, of the Royal benevolence, the rank and office that he possesses, so that he may use it as evidence whenever required, at his request, I issue these presents, signed by my own hand, sealed with my coat-of-arms, in the city of Havana on March 1st, 1785.

El Conde de Galvez

Don Gilberto Leonard and Don Manuel Armirez⁷, officials of the Royal treasury acting accountant and treasurer of the General treasury of the Province of Louisiana;

We hereby certify that this document conforms and is a true copy of the original, produced by Don Pedro Rousseau, Lieutenant Colonel of the Royal Armies, to whom we return it, and as evidence, we issue these presents, in the city of New Orleans on Dec. 5, 1803/

Gilberto Leonard
Manuel Armirez