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# The United States of America

To all to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting:

Whereas, In pursuance of the Act of Congress, approved September 28th, 1850, entitled "An Act granting Bounty Land to certain Officers and Soldiers who have been engaged in the Military Service of the United States," Warrant No. *54687* for *40* acres, issued in favor of *Elijah Houch (or Flayek, sergeant, Captain Achley's New York Militia three services*

*War of 1812*

has been returned to the GENERAL LAND OFFICE, with evidence that the same has been duly located upon the *South West quarter of North East quarter of Section eight in Township thirty three of Range Five West, in the District of Lands Subject to sale at Wmama, Indiana containing Forty acres*

according to the Official Plat of the Survey of the said Lands returned to the GENERAL LAND OFFICE by the SURVEYOR GENERAL: *Which has been assigned unto Joseph Peirce*

Now Know Ye, That there is therefore granted by the UNITED STATES unto the said *Joseph Peirce*

the tract of Land above described: TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said tract of Land, with the appurtenances thereof, unto the said *Joseph Peirce and to his*

heirs and assigns forever.

In Testimony Whereof, I, *Franklin Pierce*

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, have caused these Letters to be made Patent, and the SEAL OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE to be hereunto affixed.

GIVEN under my hand, at the CITY OF WASHINGTON, the

*Fourth* day of *July*

in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *fifty three* and of the INDEPENDENCE OF THE UNITED STATES the seventy-*eighth*

SEAL

BY THE PRESIDENT: *Franklin Pierce*

By *Ans H Wheeler* Sec'y.

*W Springer* Recorder of the General Land Office.