

Alexander Clark's Petition to Allow Immigration of "Free Negroes" into Iowa, 1855

To the Hon. this General Assembly of the State of Iowa.

Your Petitioners, the colored citizens of Muscatine County Iowa pray your honorable bodies to repeal the Act entitled "our act to prohibit the immigration of free negroes into this state"

Approved February 5th 1851 and as in duty bound we will ever pray.

January 1855

Alexander Clark
Rev. D. Anderson
N.Z. Harrison
Thomas C Motts
William [illegible]
Daniel James Warner
Rippen B. Keath
Chas Jackson
X Robert D. Young
X John Stuard
Joseph Cook
X Benjamin Mathews
X William Anderson
Petter Boyd
X Elton Byas
J.P. Pritchard
Syras Woods
Jenkins Pennot
X Charles Prehan
X George Manly
X Charles Ed Mathews
Rev William C. Trevan

A. E. Jackson
X Jane Motts
Hanah Mathews
Hyrit Stuard
X Elen Anderson
Dolley Byas
X Deborah Prichard
Catharine Clark
X Margaret Boyd
Jan Outland
X Rebecca Clark

Viz the above named persons are all colored citizens of Muscatine the State of Iowa
Alex Clark