

Philadelphia July 9<sup>th</sup> 1776

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Description: Abraham Clark offering armed support from British invasion to Samuel Tucker, Philadelphia