In Congress 20th Sept. 1779.

Resolved,

    That it is expedient and necessary to
detach the North Carolina troops now at, or
near West Point, to join the troops under
the Command of Major general Lincoln
in South Carolina, and that the pleasure of
Congress be signified there on to the Commander
in Chief._____

    That three of the Continental Frigates or
Ships of War, now in the Port of Boston or
elsewhere in the eastern States, be ordered
to repair to South Carolina with all possible
expedition, after having received on board
at such place. as the Marine Committee shall
appoint, as many of the North Carolina troops
with [   ] and baggage as the paid Frigates
or Ships of War can safely accommodate, and
taking under their protection one of more
transport or transports if necessary, to be
employed for conducting such of the laid
troops and necessary [   ] for the Voyage,
as the three Frigates or Ships of War cannot
conveniently receive or take on board.
    Resolved, That the Marine
        Com.

Committee be directed immediately to take
order for hiring such transports as shall
be found necessary, and for dispatching
the paid Frigates or Ships of War with their
Convoy without delay.____

That the Commander in Chief di=
=rected to order the North Carolina troops
to proceed to such place or places as the
Marine Committee shall advise.____

That the Marine Committee be direct=
=ed to give order to the Commanding Officer
of the Frigates or Ships of War going to South
Carolina to confer and co-operate with
Major General Lincoln or the Commanding
Officer for the time being, till further orders
from the Marine Committee.____

That the paid Commanding Officer
to be directed to confer on all Naval Operations
with the Governor and executive Council
of the State of South Carolina and that it
be recommended to the paid State to afford[?]
every practicable and necessary aid and
assistance for promoting and effectuating
such purposes.____

Extract from the minutes,
Ch Thomson