Republic of Texas
Department of State

To all to whom these presents shall come,

Greeting,

I, the undersigned Secretary of State of the Republic of Texas, request all persons whom it may concern to permit the bearer hereof, Andrew J. Gates, freely to pass in and from Europe or any country into Amity with the Republic of Texas, and in case of need to give him all lawful aid, protection and support. He being a citizen of said Republic, and his signature as follows.

A. J. Gates.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Department of State this fourteenth day of May A.D. one thousand eight hundred and thirty nine and of the Independence of Texas the fourth.

James Webb.